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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Tourism In HK

UNDENIABLY tourism is fast becoming an important part of the Colony's commercial and social structure. Up to half a million tourists are expected to visit Hongkong this year, and they will probably spend around $300 million while they are here.

These are striking figures, full of meaning. They mean, among other things, that Hongkong is rapidly "selling itself" as a centre of attraction, not only for globe-trotters, but for thousands of people in neighbouring countries who are more and more turning to travel as a medium for holiday-making.

The upsurge of visitors also means that Hongkong, if it is to enjoy to the full the advantages from this new-found source of publicity and revenue, must rationalise its tourist industry. It cannot be permitted to develop in a haphazard manner. Resources and ideas need to be pooled.

ONE essential would appear to be willing and generous co-operation between public and private concerns whose operations are in any way related to, or can be applied to tourism. Thus, local offices of shipping companies, airlines, bus and ferry companies, hotels and travel agencies, should co-ordinate their variety of services to ensure that tourists are provided with every possible facility for seeing and making the most of Hongkong.

In these days the Colony has more than its natural scenic beauty to excite visitors. There exist many visible signs of progress in the tackling of our new and varied sociological problems, of our industrial development, and our expansion in education and health services. Moreover, as Mr F.C. Clemo noted in his address to the Rotary Club this week, these are matters which are being talked about overseas and about which the interest of scores of visitors has been sitmulated before they arrive in Hongkong.

IT is proper that Government should interest itself in any overall organisation designed to promote and control the tourist industry in Hongkong, even to the extent of helping financially. But Government's role should be paternal rather than executive.

It has been intimated that Government has in mind the formation of a Tourist Association. Such a body, properly constituted and fully representative, could do valuable work in injecting new enterprise and imagination to the tourist industry.

There is considerable room for streamlining and improving the Colony's tourism services. Undesirable "touting" needs to be eliminated; hotel accommodation increased and made thoroughly attractive; and a closer liaison developed between the various enterprises whose interests are in any way touched by tourism.

HK TOURISM

Govt Sets Up Committee

Late this morning it was officially announced that Government has appointed a working committee of representatives of the interests concerned in the tourist industry of Hongkong to consider and to recommend to Government whether or not a Hongkong Tourist Association should be established, and if so, recommend the form of constitution, membership, methods of financing, etc., of such an association.

The working committee is under the chairmanship of Mr J. C. Cowperthwaite, Deputy Financial Secretary (Economic). Members are Mr F. C. Bridger (American Express Company), Mr F. C. Clemo (Hongkong Tours and Travel Service), Mr Horace Kadoorie (Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels), Mr J. V. Kammerling (Royal Inter-ocean Lines), Mr W. C. G. Knowles (Cathay Pacific Airways), Mr Benjamin C. Lee (Sunning House), Mr Paul Lutey (American President Lines), Mr J. L. Murray (Government Public Relations Officer), Mr J. G. O'Donnell (Pan-American World Airways), Mr M. A. Snowball (British Overseas Airways Corporation), Mr M. J. K. Stark (MacKinnon, MacKenzie and Company).

The formation of a Tourist Association was the major recommendation of a report submitted to Government by the Public Relations Officer on the completion of a survey of all aspects of the tourist and travel industry in the Colony conducted a few months ago.

The PRO survey and report have been considered by both the Executive Council and the Trade and Industry Advisory Committee and approved in principle by both of them. It is upon the advice of the Executive Council that the working committee has been set up.

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Red Scientists To See Harwell

Geneva, Aug. 11.

Thirty scientists from "Iron Curtain" countries have accepted an invitation to visit the British atomic research establishment at Harwell on August 24, a British spokesman announced here tonight.

The spokesman for the British delegation to the current United Nations conference on the peaceful uses of atomic energy said that well over 100 delegates in all had accepted the invitation.

The acceptances included a total of 15 from the Soviet Union, Byelorussia and the Ukraine and five each from Poland, Czechoslovakia and Rumania.

The British Atomic energy Authority, which issued the invitation, had chartered three aircraft to fly guests from Geneva to Harwell and back on the same day.—Reuter.

West's Military Groupings The Reason

London, Aug. 11.

Communist Rumania opened the door today for Soviet troops to stay in Rumania beyond the agreed deadline unless foreign troops pull out of Western Europe.

Presumably acting with Russian consent, the Rumanian Premier, Gheorge Gheorghiu-Dej, said in a telegraphic interview with the United Press that "important changes" had occurred since Russia made her original withdrawal promise in wartime to the West.

The terms of that promise—later written into the 1947 Rumanian peace treaty—were that Soviet troops would pull out of Rumania and Hungary as soon as they pull out of Austria.

Soviet troops are withdrawing from Austria by October 1—and the question put to the Premier was, what would happen to Rumania?

In view of the "changes," the "necessity of the presence" of Soviet troops in Rumania will be removed when foreign troops withdraw from Western Europe, was the reply from Mr Gheorghiu-Dej.

Since the Austrian peace treaty was finally signed last May, there had been widespread speculation whether Russia would honour the past pledge to clear her troops out of Rumania and Hungary at the same time. Diplomatic quarters took Mr Gheorghiu-Dej's statement to the United Press to be Moscow's own answer that she no longer felt bound to a simultaneous withdrawal.

The Premier's response to United Press questions, cabled to Bucharest, did not say that Russia intended to back out of her Yalta promise to withdraw her troops from Rumania and Hungary after the end of the Austrian occupation. But he said the situation in Western Europe had "changed" with the formation of Western military alliances—alliances that have been followed by the Communist military grouping under the Warsaw pact.

And he said that under the Warsaw pact "appropriate measures have been taken to ensure the security of the European democratic states, among them Rumania."

IF . . .

"Of course if the foreign troops ....were withdrawn from the countries of Western Europe... then the necessity of the Warsaw treaty would be removed," said the Rumanian Premier.

"It is obvious that the necessity of the presence of Soviet troops in Rumania would be removed too; and these troops would be withdrawn from Rumania."

The US Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, suggested in June that the Soviets might find some sort of "justification" for keeping Soviet troops in Hungary and Rumania beyond the Yalta-set time limit.

The ostensible purpose of Soviet troops' presence in Hungary and Rumania was simply to guard lines of communication to the troops in Austria so long as they were there.

On July 31, widespread reports were published that the Soviet Union intended to honour the agreements and withdraw troops from Hungary and Rumania by October 1—the deadline the Soviet Defence Minister, Georgi Zhukov, set for getting all Soviet troops out of Austria.

TEXT OF REPLY

United Press on July 31 asked the Rumanian Premier directly for an authoritative answer to these reports. The text of the reply today said:

"As is known, the Soviet troops are on the territory of Rumania according to the peace treaty, in order to ensure the security of communications of Soviet troops in Austria.

"After the conclusion of the treaty with Austria it is necessary, under the present conditions, to take into account the fact that during the last period important changes have occurred in the European situation.

"In the West, military groupings, numerous foreign military bases have been created, and the Paris treaties that provide for the remilitarisation of Western Germany and for its inclusion in the military groupings of the Western powers have been ratified.

"It is a consequence of this fact, as it is known, that the Warsaw treaty has been concluded, according to which appropriate measures have been taken to ensure the security of the European democratic states, among them Rumania.

"If the foreign troops of the Western states were withdrawn from the countries of Western Europe within the limits of their national boundaries, and the military groupings created in the West were liquidated, the situation in Europe would change, and the necessity of the Warsaw treaty would be removed along with the necessity of those measures ensuring security that are provided by this treaty.

"In this case, it is obvious that the necessity of the presence of Soviet troops in Rumania would be removed too, and these troops would be withdrawn from Rumania."—United Press.

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Death Of Famed Actress

Milan, Aug. 11.

Joan Bradley, leading actress of the world famous operetta show "Oklahoma," died here tonight from infantile paralysis, doctors at a Milan hospital said.

Miss Bradley was suddenly stricken with polio on Tuesday. She was taken to the Dergano Hospital here where she was placed in an isolation ward.

On Monday night she had played the female lead in Oklahoma. According to other members of the troupe she had felt perfectly all right but the following morning she complained she could not use her legs.

Doctors first said her condition was "not preoccupying" but gave no details.

Tonight's performance of the show was cancelled. News of Miss Bradley's death came a few minutes before it was due to start.

Miss Bradley joined the Oklahoma cast a year and a half ago. She studied at the famed La Scala School of Opera from 1948 to 1950.—China Mail Special.

The Problems Of Governing A Colony

An important series of articles on "Governors and Governorship" written by a well-known authority on colonial affairs, Mr Harold Ingrams, CMG is to be published in the China Mail beginning tomorrow.

Mr Ingrams who is the author of many books on colonial administration including one entitled "Hongkong" has served in or visited most colonies in Asia, Africa, Europe and the Caribbean.

These articles are therefore based on expert knowledge and they give a comprehensive account of the multifarious responsibilities of a colonial Governor and examine some of the problems they entail.

This is only one of tomorrow's feature highlights. Watch also for these:

Rene MacColl, on his latest trip to Moscow finds the Russians still the same despite peace moves.

John Ralph interviews a 6-ft Scot who became a Mohamedan and whom the French secret service is scared of.

David Lewis gives the inside story of the on-off romance of Eddie Fisher and Debbie Reynolds.

There are all your regular favourites as well including Jane Roberts' film reviews, a "Did It Happen?" story, the latest women's news, three pages of local and overseas pictures, sports news and views, cartoons and comic strips . . . all in the China Mail.

Plane To Fly 2000 mph

US Air Force Ready For Experiment

Washington, Aug. 11.

The United States Air Force today announced that it was ready to make the first rocket-powered flight by the X-2 research plane designed to penetrate the "heat barrier" at 2,000 miles an hour or more.

X-2 is the first plane specifically built to explore the point in speed where many metals weaken or break down owing to tremendous air friction.

The aluminium alloy normally used in aircraft has been replaced by stainless steel and other materials. Highly tempered glass which can withstand temperatures of 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit has been used for the windshields.

FLYING LABORATORY

The rocket engin develops power almost equal to that used to drive a modern navy cruiser at high speeds.

The X-2 will be used solely as a flying research laboratory to accumulate information about flight at speeds much greater than that of sound.

If the pilot has to bail out at high altitudes, an explosive charge can separate the entire cabin from the rest of the aircraft. A ribbon-type parachute would then slow down the falling cabin until it reached an altitude where the pilot could safely make use of his own parachute.—Reuter.

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INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Moscow, Aug. 11.

Canada's Minister of Fisheries, Mr James Sinclair, now touring fisheries in the Soviet Far East, was injured and sent to hospital as a result of a fall while inspecting a drydock at Petropavlovsk on the East Coast of Kamchatka Peninsula, it was announced here today.

The announcement issued by the Canadian Embassy in Moscow said Mr Sinclair's condition was not regarded as serious and he was expected to resume his tour "within a fortnight".

The Minister's executive assistant, Mr Alistair Fraser, was also injured in the same accident, the Embassy said, but has already been released from hospital.—France-Presse.

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"Once And For All" Petition

New Delhi, Aug. 11.

A seven-man deputation of New Delhi citizens today met President Rajendra Prasad and presented a memorandum urging the government to solve the Goa issue "once and for all."

The memorandum proposed immediate imposition of economic sanctions against the Portuguese and an approach to 29 Bandung conference nations to ask at least their moral support in solving "this vital problem of European colonialism on Asian soil."

The deputation included members of the Delhi Legislative Assembly representing right-wing and leftist opinion.—Reuter.

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TO HELP FLOOD VICTIMS

Berlin, Aug. 11.

The East German Cabinet today decided to send "drugs and other urgently needed material" at once to India in response to an appeal for help for flood victims by the Indian Premier, Mr Nehru, the East German news agency, ADN, said.

Floods were reported last week in the Ami River district of East Uttar Pradesh (United Province).—Reuter.

Chaudri Mohammad Ali Becomes Pakistan's Premier

Karachi, Aug. 11.

Pakistan's new Premier, Chaudri Mohammad Ali, today promised selfless service to the nation in his efforts to raise the standard of living of the country's common man.

The Premier told the nation in a ten-minute broadcast that three main problems were facing the country:

1. Settlement of the Kashmir question with India.

2. A speedy drafting of the constitution that would enable earliest possible nationwide elections.

3. Economic development to improve conditions of the common man.

Mr Chaudri Mohammad Ali broadcast barely an hour after his new 11-man Cabinet was sworn into office. He stressed the need for an early Kashmir settlement in the interests of world peace and Indo-Pakistani progress.

"The sooner this dispute is settled the sooner Indo-Pakistani relations will be put on a friendly, stable and sane basis," he said. "We (meaning India and Pakistan) must co-operate if economic and political progress on the sub-continent is to be achieved."

This was the Premier's only reference to foreign affairs.

A MUST

Turning to domestic issues, he termed the drafting of a constitution a must. He urged that the document be framed with "minimum delay so that elections will be held at the earliest possible date." He called for a constitution that would "give due credit to the finest traditions of Islam."

In the economic field, he said, a great deal had been done in Pakistan in the eight years of its existence as an independent nation. He urged greater effort, however.

"Economic progress is a means to an end — a fuller and happier life in a just social order."

The Premier's voice sounded very tired after four days of marathon negotiations to form a new government. His usually fluent speech became halting.

DOOR STILL OPEN

He expressed regret that the Awami League found it impossible to join the government coalition. He said the door was still open.

"What the country needs at this time," he said, "is a national government composed of all parties represented in the Parliament."

He ended his address with a promise that he would serve the country with "utter devotion". He said: "I will spare nothing, not even my life, in service to Pakistan."—United Press.

FLYING HOME TO VOTE

Paris, Aug. 11.

Seventy citizens of San Marino made a brief stopover here today en route by air from their homes in the United States to "save" their tiny nation from the Communists.

San Marino, a postage stamp republic perched high in the Appenino mountains in north-east Italy, voted a majority of Communist and pro-Communist Socialists at the last elections held in 1951.

These 70 adopted Americans hope to tip the balance against the Communists by voting in San Marino's next elections on September 1.—France-Presse.

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Policemen Shot By Terrorists

Nicosia, Aug. 12.

Masked terrorists fired a volley of bullets into two police officers in one of the main streets of Famagusta early today.

The two victims — Sergeant Costas Costopoulos and Constable Anvi Emin—were rushed to hospital, where a doctor said later their condition was serious but not dangerous.

The sergeant had five bullet wounds and the constable two.—Reuter.

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SHIP AGROUND

Hamilton, Bermuda.
Aug. 11.

The 2,500-ton, French-owned, British-registered freighter Wychwood went on the rocks 10 miles off the coast shortly after 7 p.m., GMT today.

The vessel radioed the US Coast Guard here for assistance at 1935 GMT. A Coast Guard plane was dispatched to circle the ship and determine whether she could be lightened and floated off the rocks or if she must be pulled off.

It was not immediately known how the vessel got on the rocks as the seas at present are calm for the most part.—United Press.

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Strip Tease Strike Is Planned

New Delhi, Aug. 12.

Government clerks have exempted women from joining in a "strip tease strike" due to start next Tuesday to back up demands for more pay because of "technical difficulties."

The women will remove only their makeup and sandals as a token of sympathy, a union member said, adding: "If they took off their saris there would be almost nothing left."

"There are only a few women working among the 6,000 third grade clerks who want their minimum basic pay of £1 sterling per week doubled.

They will start their campaign today with a procession —in full dress this time—to the house of the Home Minister, Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant.

VESTS AND TROUSERS

If their demands, which also include free transport to work and free education for their children, are not met they will turn up for work on Tuesday unshaven and shirtless, wearing only vests and trousers.

Sikhs, who normally wear their hair tied in a top knot under a turban and their beard neatly rolled, will go to the office with hair and beard flowing.

If the demands are still not met on August 30 the clerks will arrive for work clad only in pyjamas, with a bed sheet draped around their shoulders.

After that "we will have further plans," say the organisers, "and we shall reveal them in due course."—China Mail Special.

Transport Planes Collide

Appalling Air Disaster

Freudenstadt, Aug. 11.

The US Air Force flying boxcars collided in formation and crashed "like chunks of lead" today in a fiery disaster that killed 66 Americans, including 55 foot soldiers who went up to get the feel of flying.

The US Seventh Army infantrymen took off in red and silver Air Force C-119s on a "familiarisation" flight to acquaint them with airlifts they might encounter in combat.

Fifteen minutes later, after the air impact, they spun in from 4,000 feet strapped inside the fat fuselages with their infantry equipment, including a three-quarter-ton truck.

GEYSER OF FIRE

One of the twin-engined, twin-tailed boxcars with 47 men aboard smashed into the Black Forest between Edelweiler and Groemwiler in a geyser of fire that set an acre of trees and underbrush ablaze.

The other, carrying 19 men and the big Army truck, thudded into a grain field near here.

The Air Force first announced that 67 men were killed, but reduced the toll to 66 when it learned it had counted one too many infantrymen abroad the more heavily loaded plane —42 instead of the actual 41.

"Both aircraft went down like chunks of lead," said an Army source. "There was no chance for anyone to get out."

THEIR FIRST FLIGHT

Many of the soldiers who died in Germany's worst post-war air crash were on their first flight. It was an "air familiarisation" flight to show them how they would be carried and even parachuted into combat in the Army's new airminded tactics. No actual airdrop was planned today, but all aboard reportedly wore parachutes all ready strapped to them.

None got out after the planes collided at 4,000 feet.

Air Force and Army parties were trying to remove the bodies to the US Army hospital in Stuttgart tonight. The crash marred the 60th Troop Carrier Wing's two and a half year fatality-free record.

The two aircraft involved were from the Wing's 17th Troop Carrier Squadron, which won the 11th Air Force's safety contest last June for a year's flying without accident.—United Press.

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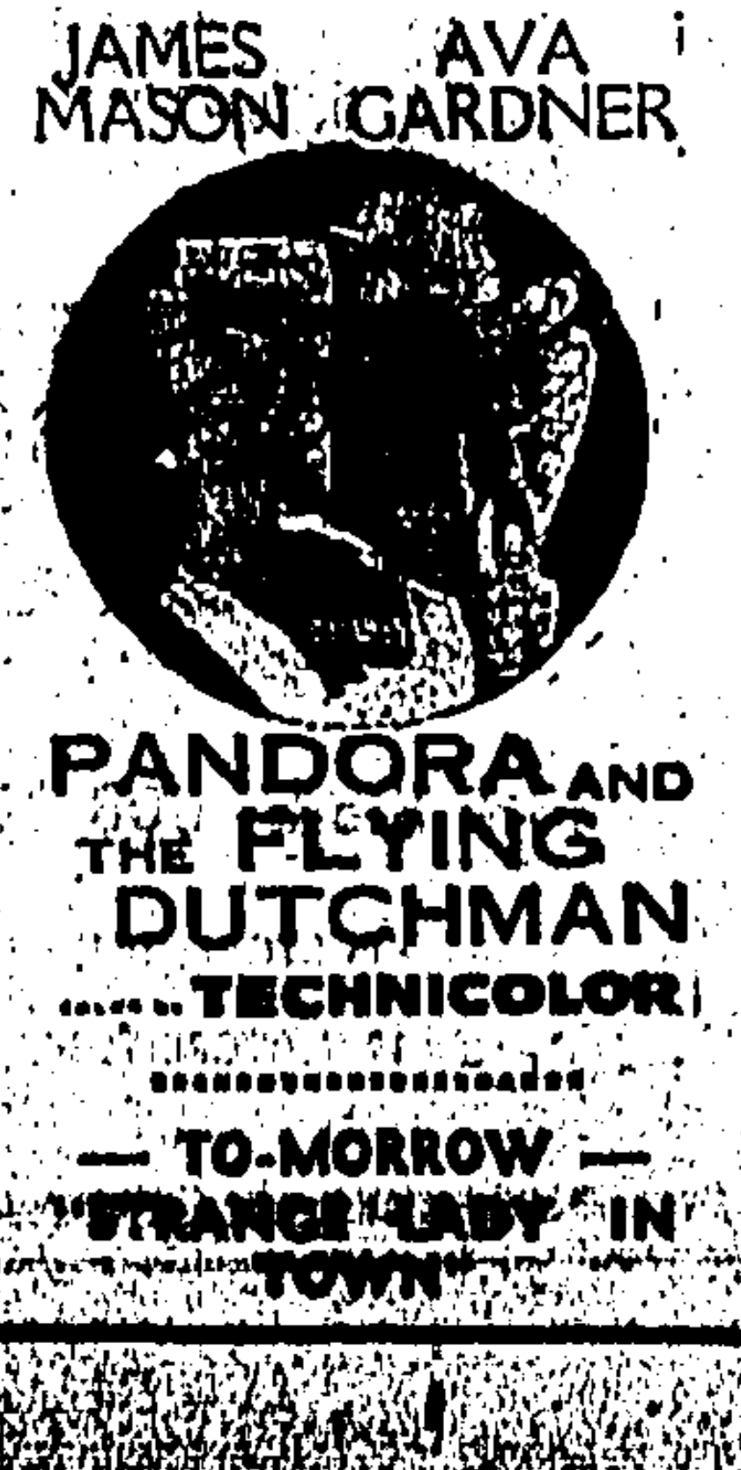

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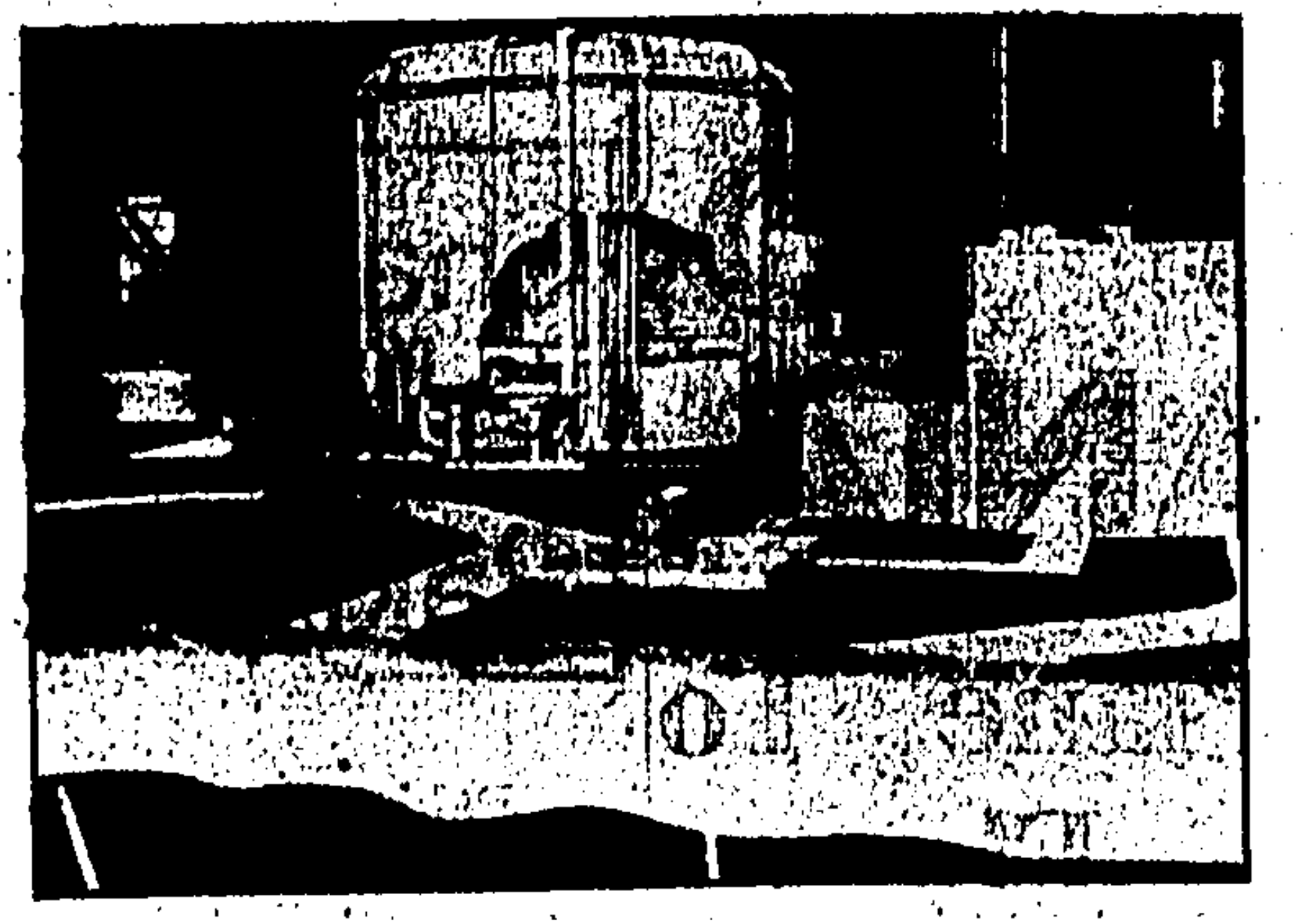
JAPAN'S ADMISSION TO GATT

A Dido On View At Geneva



The model of Dido, a heavy water reactor under construction at Harwell, which is on view at the atomic exhibition at Geneva. When the reactor is completed in 1956 it will have the highest neutron flux of any research reactor in Western Europe.—Reuterphoto.

Dr Baty's Last Plea Of Innocence

CONTENTS OF HIS WILL

London, Aug. 11.

Dr Thomas Baty, an international lawyer who died believing he was under a cloud of suspicion as a traitor, made a last plea of innocence in his £7,181 will published here today.

The British-born doctor of laws lived in Japan throughout World War II and died there in February 1954, aged 85.

In his will he wrote: "I never collaborated with the Japanese."

Britain investigated his wartime activities in 1946. A year later it was reported that British authorities in Tokyo, with the agreement of the Foreign Office, had deprived him of protection as a British subject.

Later a Foreign Office spokesman said no action would be taken against the lawyer "though there was every basis for doing so."

A Treasure

Dr Baty, affectionately described as "a treasure" by the Japanese press for his work as legal adviser at the Japanese Foreign Ministry for more than 25 years, was said to have written several articles for Japanese magazines during the war.

The tall, dignified lawyer, who after 30 years in the Far East still wore the black coat, striped trousers and high winged collar of a London barrister, wrote in his will:

"Neither during the late war with Japan nor since its termination by the establishment of complete Allied control up to the present, have I collaborated in any way with the Government of Japan.

"I desire to record my opinion as an international lawyer and a student of English law that the free expression of opinion and criticism of His Majesty's Ministers....cannot be considered treasonable, neither can disapproval of a Communist alliance, however openly expressed.

"Nor can continued intercourse with the population of the enemy country, since even trade with the enemy (unless in munitions of war) was never so considered."

Left To Cousin

Dr Baty, a bachelor, left most of his money to his cousin, Mrs Esther Blanche Lewis.

He directed that interest from the estate of his dead sister, who for many years shared his cottage in Japan, should be spent in publishing his manuscripts, including "International Law in Twilight" and "Alone in Japan."

He left toys with which he and his sister played as children to his Japanese friend, Taga Kiku Sama "if she accept them as curiosities."—China Mail Special.

WAR BOOTY RETURNED TO OWNER

Bonn, Aug. 11.

The watch which a New Zealand captain took from a German soldier he captured in Italy in 1944, has arrived back at the German's home here.

With it came a friendly letter from the former captain, Mr Keith Burtt, of Christchurch, New Zealand, to his onetime prisoner, Reinhard Gemmel, a goldsmith.

After the war Mr Burtt, a tax adviser, regretted taking the watch. He made many unsuccessful attempts to trace its owner through an inscription inside the case. Then a German-born New Zealander, Mr Carl Berger, also from Christchurch, came to his help. Through a newspaper he found Herr Gemmel.

Captain Burtt offered to help Herr Gemmel to emigrate to New Zealand, and the goldsmith is thinking about it. Meanwhile he has made a beautiful silver rose for the captain's wife.—China Mail Special.

'Wrong Address' Led To Fine

East London, Aug. 11.

A registered letter handed by him with the remark "there is no such address," proved the undoing of an East London postman.

In the East London Magistrate's Court, the postman, Charles Ansell, 26, was sentenced to fines totalling £120 sterling, with the alternative of six months' imprisonment, after he pleaded guilty to tampering with registered letters.

A post office inspector told the court that on one occasion Ansell returned a registered letter to him saying that there was no such address.

When the inspector examined the envelope he found that it had been tampered with.—China Mail Special.

BABIES IN GAOL

Pietermaritzburg, Aug. 11.

There are 22 babies in the Pietermaritzburg prison whose mothers are serving terms of imprisonment, an official of the local branch of social services said.

He was appealing for clothes for the babies.—China Mail Special.

UN Mission To Togoland

Accra, Aug. 11.

A four-man United Nations mission to Togoland arrived at Accra airport today. The mission, headed by Mr J. Banerji of India, was met by demonstrators demanding unification of British and French Togoland.

The other members of the UN Mission are Mr John M. McMillan of Australia, Mr Salah E. Tarazi of Syria and Mr Robert R. Robbins of the United States.—France-Presse.

Britain's Reservations Welcomed By Cotton Board

Manchester, Aug. 11.

Sir Raymond Streat, chairman of the Cotton Board, tonight "heartily" welcomed the reservations made by the British Government towards Japan's admission to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

He declared: "The formal admission of Japan is an event which has been fully expected for some time because there has been a clear manifestation that there was a majority of nations in favour of it.

"I heartily welcome the reservations which the British Government has made, retaining its freedom of action in various vital matters."

Leaders of Lancashire's textile industries received the news of Japan's admission to GATT with some anxiety, although they had known it as coming.

Textile circles, apprehensive over competition from low-priced Japanese goods, said firms were anxious whether the Government's reservations would be "effective and widely used."

SIR RAYMOND STREAT

Welcomed

They said that Government assurances on these lines would be eagerly welcomed in Lancashire and would "take the chill off the reception" of tonight's news from Geneva.

In London tonight a Board of Trade spokesman said Britain's policy on Japan's accession to GATT remained as given in a White Paper published last April.

In this it was stated that in present circumstances the British Government had decided that they must exercise their right to invoke the provisions of Article 35 of the agreement, which would allow consent to the application of the General Agreement between Japan and the United Kingdom to be withheld.

The White Paper announced the Government's intention of continuing the policy of maintaining a high level of trade between the sterling area and Japan.

It said: "With a view to strengthening the United Kingdom's commercial and economic relations with Japan generally, the Government would wish to conclude a long-term commercial treaty with her embodying mutual undertakings with respect to shipping and establishment matters, protection of industrial designs and tariff matters and are inviting the Japanese Government to enter into negotiations for such a treaty."

Unchanged

Mr Cyril Lord, one of Lancashire's biggest textile industrialists who has consistently opposed Japan's effect on British and Empire textile markets, tonight welcomed the Government's adherence to its previous policy over Japan's accession to GATT.

"So far as Japan's admission is concerned our position is unchanged.

"With regard to textiles the Government realise that if Japan had all the facilities she could derive out of GATT we might be completely finished with textiles in this country."

Mr Lord said this was about the only stand the British Government had taken in regard to Japan but he wished they would take an even stronger line.

"With over 50,000 workers in Lancashire on short time they do realise that something has to be done for textiles."—China Mail Special.

SHIP HELD UP

United Nations, Aug. 11.

Israel today protested to the United Nations Security Council against Egypt's action in holding up a Dutch ship bound for Israel at Port Said on July 10.

The ship's name was the Fedala.

The Israeli delegate, Mr Mordecai Kidron, accused Egypt of flagrantly impeding the legitimate and peaceful passage of a merchant ship through the Suez Canal.—France-Presse.

RUBBER 'NAPOLEON' DEAD

Frank Seiberling

Akron, Aug. 11.

Mr Frank Seiberling—the "Little Napoleon" of the rubber industry—died in hospital here today aged 95.

He founded but later lost control of the Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Company, which became the largest concern in the industry. Then starting from scratch in his later years he and his brother, Charles, founded and built Seiberling Rubber Co.

He had been in ill health since his retirement five years ago as chairman of Seiberling. Pneumonia and complications led to his death.

The little five-foot-four-inch pioneer of the industry was credited with inventing several techniques still used in the rubber industry.

During the depression of 1898 Mr Seiberling founded Goodyear in an abandoned board factory in East Akron. He borrowed $1,500 to get it started and under his leadership it became the biggest concern in the industry.

Mr Seiberling amassed a fortune of more than $20 million.—China Mail Special.

Eden Plan Being Studied

Paris, Aug. 11.

A technical study of Sir Anthony Eden's plan for a "European demilitarised zone," is now being conducted by military experts of SHAPE and the principal Western Powers, informed sources said today.

The plan was presented at the recent Big Four conference in Geneva. All plans brought up at that conference are under general consideration by military experts.

No conclusions of their study have yet been made public.—France-Presse.

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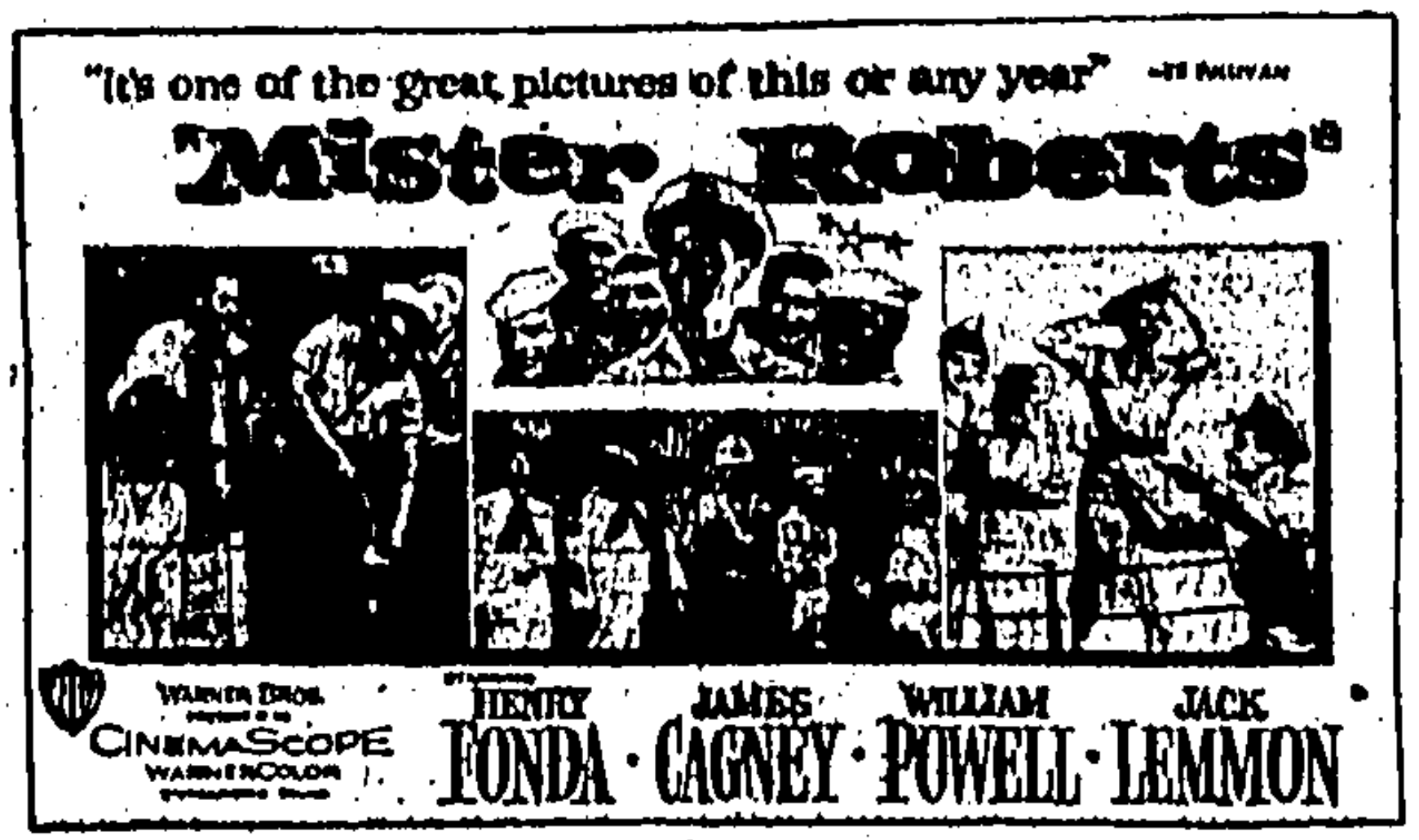
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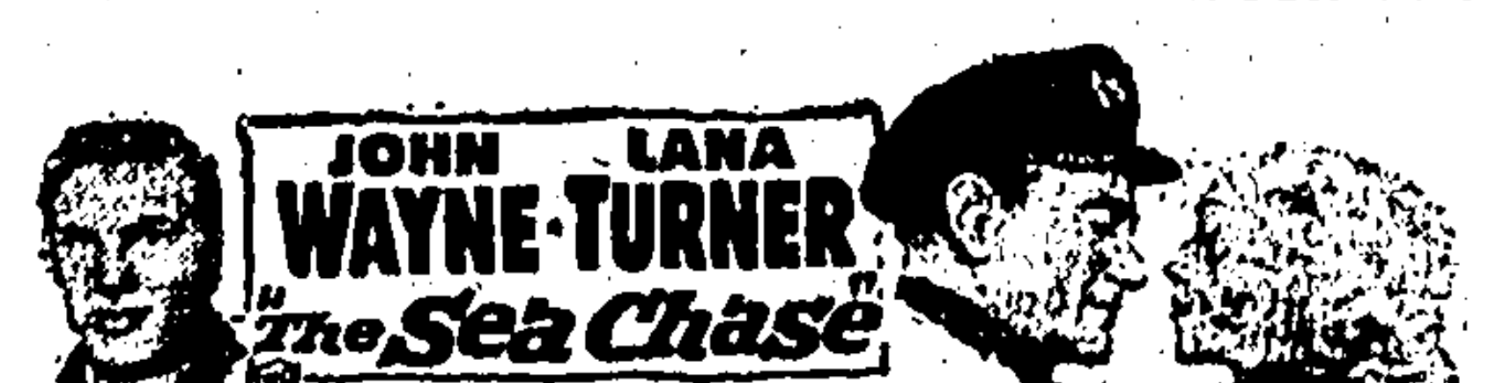

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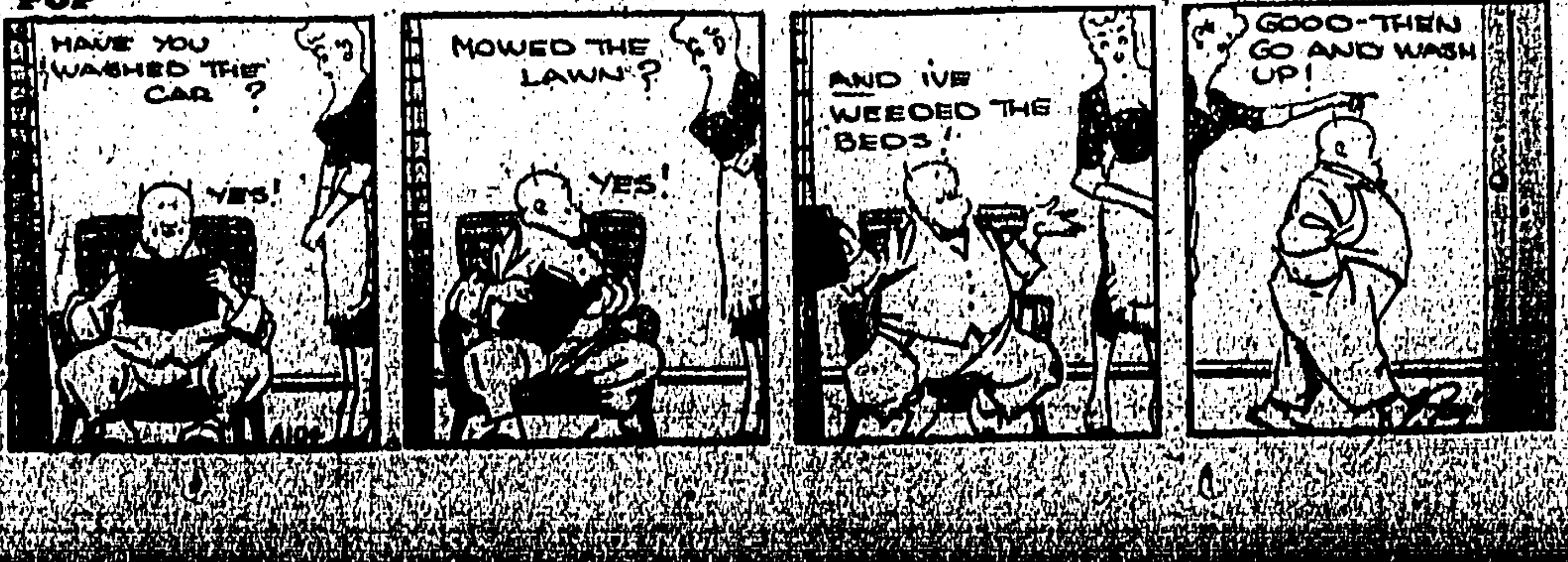
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Grandval Pleads For Quick Action

MORE SELF-RULE FOR MOROCCO BEFORE TROUBLE

Paris, Aug. 11.

M. Gilbert Grandval, the French Resident-General in Morocco, urged the government today to make a solemn promise of more self-rule for the protectorate before the planned nationalist demonstrations on August 20 explode into fresh violence.

High sources said that M. Grandval made the plea after reports from Morocco indicated a growing threat of disturbances.

M. Grandval's suggestion came at the opening session of the top North African Co-ordinating Committee session meeting under Premier Edgar Faure and 12 ministers.

Also present were the Resident-General in Tunisia, General Pierre Boyer de la Tour du Moulin, and the Governor-General in Algeria, M. Jacques Soustelle.

None of the ministers present today appeared to share M. Grandval's fears. Most of them believe that the adoption of self-rule measures without due consideration would be interpreted by nationalist extremists as a capitulation.

M. Grandval flew to Paris yesterday exactly five weeks after being named Resident-General. Reports said he has maintained most of the recommendations in his preliminary report despite ideas to tone his plan down to make it acceptable to the rightwing of Premier Faure's bickering coalition.

Deadline

The approaching August 20 deadline — second anniversary of the exile of nationalist Sultan Sidi Mohammed Ben Youssef—touched off an activity unusual for the summer vacation period.

Before the Matignon Palace session, Premier Faure conferred with the Foreign Minister, M. Antoine Pinay, a leading critic of the Grandval plan.

It was learned that M. Grandval had a lengthy meeting last night with France's World War II leader, General Charles de Gaulle.

M. Grandval also conferred with former Premier Georges Bidault. Sultan Sidi Ben Youssef was sent on exile on August 20, 1953, when M. Bidault was the Foreign Minister. M. Bidault conferred with Premier Faure yesterday and informed him of his opposition to M. Grandval's suggestion that the present Sultan Sidi Mohammed Ben Moulay Ben Arafa step down and be replaced by a regency council.

Opposition

Some ministers oppose M. Grandval's plan outright as giving too much to the turbulent nationalists. Others agree the present Sultan may not have the necessary prestige to carry out the planned home-rule reforms but instead of a council of regency they would prefer a new ruler.

French newspapers said that the Moroccan crisis was the toughest problem Premier Faure had to face in his five months in office.

Reports from large Moroccan cities said that the populace has bought huge quantities of materials for red and green nationalist banners. Stringent security precautions have been made throughout the 9,000,000 population country France has occupied for 43 years.

Sultan Ben Youssef's name has become the battle cry of a growing number of Moroccans. Press statistics claimed today that up to 95 per cent of the Moroccans had remained faithful to the dethroned Ben Youssef, now under French surveillance in Madagascar.

Marshal Alphonse Juin did not attend today's session. After a ringing denunciation of nationalist extremism, the highest French military figure announced on July 1 that he would not attend the meetings.

Marshal Juin and many ministers believe that nationalist leaders do not command the majority of the population.

After a lunch served at Premier Faure's residence, the committee will remain in session until tonight. It may meet again tomorrow before its findings go before the cabinet for final scrutiny and a new battle, on Saturday or early next week.

Numerous Clashes

While Premier Faure and his top ministers met in Paris, officials of Algiers reported numerous clashes between the security forces and the "Army of Allah" fanatics in the rebel-ridden Aures mountains.

Their reports said that a total of 173 rebels and some 14 soldiers were slain in clashes which started on Tuesday night.

The Casablanca police reported that an unidentified woman was stoned to death last night by a gang of young Moroccans in the city's new native quarter (Nouvelle Medina).

The youths later tried to burn her body, the police added. — United Press.

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Japs Plan Defence Programme

Tokyo, Aug. 11.

Japan will present to the United States this month a six-year defence programme which would have 265,000 men under arms by March, 1961, it was learned today.

The targets of the military blueprint, completed by defence force officials are:

1. A 180,000-man ground force backed up by a trained reserve of at least 20,000 men in fiscal 1958.

2. A 34,000-man, 724,000-ton navy built around a fast screening force of light destroyers and escort ships in fiscal 1960.

3. A 42,000-man, 1,200-plane tactical air force by the same date.

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr Shigemitsu, is to show the programme to American officials in Washington late this month, reports here said.—United Press.

DOWNPOUR HITS JAPAN

Tokyo, Aug. 11.

Police reported today that a downpour which hit the Asahikawa area in Central Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island, yesterday flooded 2,468 houses and 3,095 acres of farmland.

The rain also washed away five bridges and caused landslides at four places.

The Hokodate trunk line was disrupted as tracks were buried under muddy water at 13 points. The rainfall was said to be the heaviest to hit this area since 1881.—China Mail Special.

ANTI-WAR RALLY IN NEW YORK

Message To Mayor Of Hiroshima

New York, Aug. 11.

An anti-war rally attended by 1,500 persons at Carnegie Hall last night voted unanimously to send a message to the Mayor of Hiroshima pledging efforts to work for a peaceful, rather than military, use of the atom in the future.

A series of speakers urged an end to atomic bombing and to war itself, and each was cheered by the audience.

The rally was sponsored by the recently-formed Hiroshima commemorative committee and marked the 10th anniversary of the dropping of the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan. The committee is supported by a group of 100 clergymen, college professors, artists, lawyers and other professional people.

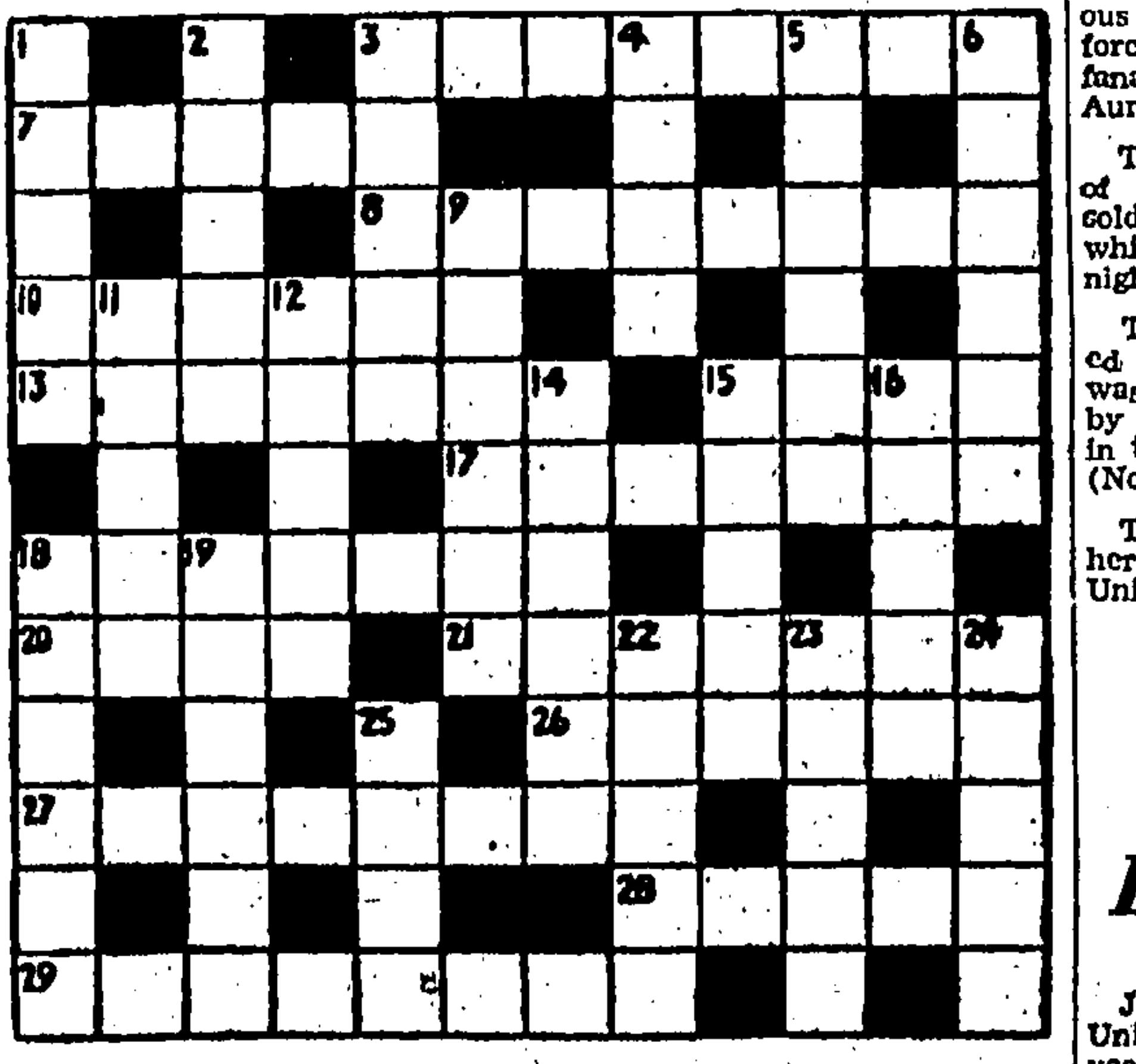
MAIN ADDRESS

The main address last night was by Dr Arthur Upham Pope, who said that the decision to drop the Hiroshima bomb was made by "confused and invalid processes."

Dr Pope, until 1949, was Vice-Chairman of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship. Other speakers were Dr Otto Nathan, an associate of the late Dr Albert Einstein, Rabbi Louis Gross and Dr Royal W. France.

The meeting pledged itself to continue the "work of peace."—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3 Reverie (8).
7 Portion (5).
8 Believer in Predestination (8).
10 Gets up (6).
13 Sorrow for guilt (7).
15 Fuss (4).
17 Came in (7).
18 Inns (7).
20 Cuts down (4).
21 Drinks (7).
26 Grumble (6).
27 Jolly base (8).
28 Spotted (5).
29 Fearful (6).

DOWN

1 Weapon (5).
2 Material (6).
3 Submit to (5).
4 Expensive (4).
5 Press chief (6).
6 System (6).
9 Agree (6).
11 Ease off (5).
12 Parts of shoes (5).
14 Flag (6).
15 Musical time (4).
16 Valleys (5).
18 Aiming-mark (6).
19 Kind of parchment (6).
22 Urge (5).
23 Sensational (5).
24 Indisposed (colloq.) (5).
25 Commotion (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Mishap, Psalm, 8 Revue, 9 Sorter, 10 Error, 11 Afire, 12 Anne, 13 Inlet, 16 Amulet, 18 Delete, 20 Spent, 22 Mart, 23 Deter, 25 Recur, 26 Roamed, 27 Revel, 28 Asked, 29 Dearer. Down: 1 Mistakes, 2 Serenade, 3 Area, 4 Perfume, 5 Puerile, 6 Serene, 7 Loose, 14 Streamer, 15 Toreador, 16 Altered, 17 Uttered, 19 Endure, 21 Peers, 24 Role.

It's A Holiday Winner

Holiday time is full of ups and downs for these joyous beachgirls, indulging in carefree gymnastics at Blackpool.—Reuterphoto.

Scientists Plan Miniature Suns

WOULD PROVIDE ALL ENERGY FOR MAN'S NEEDS

Geneva, Aug. 11.

Scientists on both sides of the Iron Curtain are working on the almost fantastic project of building miniature satellite suns.

These little suns would be held captive on the earth. Water from the sea would be their fuel. They in turn would provide all the energy man needs—for factories, homes, transport.

Who said so? A minister of the French Government said so yesterday. So did the chief of Britain's atomic research headquarters.

And Admiral Lewis L. Strauss, Chairman of the US Atomic Energy Commission, has said he intends to speak on this amazing project during the United Nations atoms-for-peace conference.

Admiral Strauss summoned newsmen to a Press conference today and delegates speculated with a great unhidden show of suspense that these "satellite suns" might be the subject. But beforehand there was no official confirmation whatsoever.

Significance Lost

The significance of the captive suns projects was lost in the first hours after the British and French disclosures yesterday. M. Gaston Palewski, the French Minister in Charge of Atomic Affairs and the British Atomic Research Director, Sir John Cockcroft, used the word "fusion."

In those two syllables the scientists sum up the earth's biggest hope of supporting itself when coal and petroleum and even uranium run out.

Fusion is the melting together of hydrogen atoms. This is the force that heats the sun. It is the force that powers the hydrogen bomb.

When M. Palewski and Sir John spoke of harnessing the H-bomb, scientists listened with one ear tuned to the greater significance of fusion as the secret of the sun. "We are working on it," said Sir John of the H-bomb-for-peace project.

"France is taking its part in these studies and works," said M. Palewski.

And Admiral Strauss at a Press conference on Monday, told newsmen "I would like to make a comment on it in a subsequent session."

Had To Wait

The clock had run out on his session with the Press and so newsmen and delegates at the atoms-for-peace assembly had to wait in suspense.

It was one of the great dramatic moments of this momentous parley when reporters tried to get Admiral Strauss to give his answer. But he had another date and the conference was closed.

Informed sources here and in Washington already have indicated that American physicists are working to harness the H-bomb. But who they are, where they are, and what they are doing had been guarded by the nation's highest secrecy classification.

But it remained for scientists at the Geneva conference to spell out the shape of harnessed H-power.

Physicists speculating on the form of a hydrogen reactor might take—and it is still a big IF whether one can be built—suggested it might be some sort of heavily-shielded furnace in which small quantities of hydrogen or other similar light elements would be subjected to bombardment by smaller-than-atomic particles travelling at great speeds.

These particles would trigger the fuel atoms into melting together.

In the process, some of the matter lost in the melting together would be given off in the form of heat. That heat would drive boilers.

Small Scale

The fusion process was carried out on a small scale before the war. But only sub-microscopic numbers of atoms could be persuaded to link up into heavier elements that give off heat.

Then in November, 1952, came news that fusion had been carried out on a big scale. That was Eniwetok, the first US H-bomb test. Russia followed through with its "thermonuclear" blast in August, 1953.

And these, of course, were too big. Their heat would destroy anything that tried to contain it.

Scientists still do not agree that the H-bomb can be slowed down in a practical way. They say it might be possible to carry out fusion on a very small scale —but without the output of heat needed to drive engines.—United Press.

Japanese Minister Visits Britain

London, Aug. 11.

Mr Ichiro Kono, the Japanese Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, arrived here by air tonight from Zurich on the first stage of a tour of Western Europe and America.

Mr Kono will stay in Britain until Monday, before going on to Paris.

Tomorrow he will visit an argicultural research station west of London run by the giant Imperial Chemical Industries and confer with officials.

Mr Kono will also pay formal calls on Mr A. R. W. Law, Minister of State at the Board of Trade, and Sir Alan Hitchman, permanent official head at the Ministry of Argiculture.

A Japanese spokesman here said he expected Mr Kono would raise "some of the problems under his jurisdiction.

As yet the Minister has no official engagements arranged for Saturday or Sunday.

No Instructions

After visiting France, Mr Kono will go on to West Germany before flying to the United States.

Mr Kono later told reporters that contrary to some reports he has not brought any instructions to Mr Shunichi Matsumoto, Japanese chief delegate at the peace talks with the Russians being conducted in London.

He further added that he had brought messages from the Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Ichiro Hatoyama and the Foreign Minister, Mr Mamoru Shigemitsu, that the Japanese Government and the people of Japan are fully supporting Mr Matsumoto's efforts to reach an understanding with the Russians on a peace treaty.

Mr Kono also stressed that the political situation in Japan, where a merger of the two conservative parties is being discussed among the Japanese political leaders, will affect in no way the Russo-Japanese peace talks in London.—Reuter.

General Sent To Siberia

ALLEGED DIAMOND SMUGGLING

Vienna, Aug. 11.

Vadim Sviridov, former Soviet High Commissioner in Austria, was reported today to be in a prison camp at Vladimir, Siberia, convicted on diamond smuggling charges.

The rightwing independent Bild Telegraf reported that Austrian prisoners who returned from Russian camps said Sviridov had been condemned to 25 years' hard labour for "counter - revolutionary activities."

He was alleged to have bought diamonds which he stitched into the buttons of his tunics and smuggled back into Russia on his last tour of duty in Austria, they said.

Sviridov, who had the rank of General, left Vienna in 1951.

At the time of his departure, Bild Telegraf said, Austrian police heard that middlemen had been buying from Vienna jewellers large quantities of diamonds for a high Soviet official.—China Mail Special.

Japs Seeking Short Cut To Treaty With Russians

By Harold Guard

London, Aug. 11.

Developments in the Soviet-Japanese peace negotiations which have been going on here since June 1 prompted the conclusion among observers today that Japan was seeking a short cut towards formulating a peace treaty before the United Nations assemblies next month.

The Japanese Embassy said that Japan's draft treaty would be submitted by the Japanese delegation leader, Mr Shunichi Matsumoto, to the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Jacob Malik, at their next meeting scheduled for August 16.

The Soviet draft treaty has been under consideration in Tokyo since June 15.

Mr Ichiro Koho, Japan's Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, is arriving here from Tokyo today with a new brief for Mr Matsumoto from Premier Ichiro Hatoyama.

Meanwhile, persistent reports from Tokyo indicate that Japan's draft treaty has gone a long way towards agreement with the Soviet draft.

There has been no official information available here since the talks started on June 1 but from the sparse guidance afforded by the Japanese delegation it appears certain that Russia has undertaken to support Japan's entry into the United Nations once a peace treaty has been signed.

It also has been made known both here and in Tokyo that Premier Hatoyama favours the conclusion of a peace treaty before settling all outstanding problems.

Now it appears that Japan has decided to take Russia at her word and to bid for a seat in the United Nations as the price for agreeing substantially to the Russian peace terms.

According to Tokyo reports, Japan has discarded the idea of standing firm on her claims to the Kuriles, South Sakhalin, Habomai and Shikotan, and would be content with a withdrawal of Russian forces from the islands.

The Russian draft stipulated that the island chain should be recognised as Soviet territory.

Agreement

The Japanese draft apparently is content with saying that the question of sovereignty can be discussed after a peace treaty is signed.

Both drafts apparently agree that the technical state of war would be ended with the signing of a peace treaty.

This would open the way for discussion on the exchange of diplomatic, trade and cultural missions on which both sides are agreed.

The Japanese draft is also understood to coincide with the Russian draft on the proposal that after a peace treaty an expert conference should be called to discuss a fisheries convention.

Both sides are said to agree that they would observe a principle of non-interference in each other's domestic affairs and also to recognise any other existing treaties entered into by either Japan or Russia.

In this respect the Soviet draft left scope for Japan to continue her alliance with the United States on the understanding that Russia would continue her alliance with Communist China.

The question of the return of Japanese war prisoners still in Russian hands apparently is not treated as part of either draft.

This may be explained by the fact that after their meeting on June 24, Mr Matsumoto said that there had been a "tentative agreement" that the war prisoner question should be considered separate as apart from a peace treaty.

Other Matters

Other matters including the waiving of reparations and war damage claims and post-treaty discussions on navigational rights in Japanese waters apparently are agreed upon in both drafts.

And the key factor appears to be Russia's support for Japan's entry into the United Nations whose General Assembly is scheduled to open in the second half of September and probably will be attended by the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Jacob Malik, who has conducted the Russian negotiations in London.—United Press.

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GUSTAVE CAUSES TANGLE

Wants To See His Signature

Digne, Aug. 11.

The French police, conducting a new inquiry into the three-year-old triple Drummond murder of Lurs may have to suspend their investigations after stumbling into complicated legal tangle caused by the key witness, Gustave Dominici.

Gustave, son of the convicted murderer, Gaston Dominici, questioned the authenticity of documents containing earlier evidence by him when confronted with the documents by Commissioner Charles Chenevier.

The Commissioner could not show Gustave his signature on the bottom of the testimony since he had only signed carbon copies of the original testimony. The originals are kept in the archives in Paris.

Gustave's unprecedented denial may lead to a charge of contempt of the magistrate but the tricky legal problem has set French lawyers by the ears.

Meanwhile, Commissioner Chenevier may not be able to continue his investigations unless a charge of contempt is brought against Gustave.—France-Presse.

Amateur Uranium Prospectors Are A Nuisance

Geneva, Aug. 11.

The "weekend" uranium prospector who goes out in his car with a geiger counter in the hopes of finding rich deposits was more trouble than he was worth, the United Nations Atomic conference was told today.

These prospectors had made no major discoveries and the time and labour of Government departments was wasted by having to carry out lengthy tests on generally useless samples of rock.

The Canadian delegate, Mr A. H. Lang, said he was not trying to discourage these "weekenders" but urged them to acquire a little more geological knowledge without which such "excursions" were not very useful.

Prospecting for uranium by air provided the main theme for discussion after the various papers had been read to the conference and gave rise to wide differences of opinions.

Mr S. H. U. Bowie, Britain, said he saw no great use in aerial prospecting. It was very costly and one had to fly very low which presupposed "the co-operation of a very sympathetic insurance company."

The Canadian delegate, Mr Lang, [illegible] earth's surface.

Once a deposit had been located, however, a helicopter could be useful in setting its limits.

Prospecting experts from the United States, the Soviet Union and Brazil, however, all agreed that aerial prospecting was very useful. A paper presented by Mr V. I. Baranov (USSR) said that useful deposits had been found in the Soviet Union by this method.

Mr S. V. Guedes (Brazil) said that during one survey flight in his country, very strong uranium deposits had been recorded in the plane while flying over a mine.

It was later found that the mine manager had [illegible] of uranium [illegible]. The discovery had caused some [illegible] all round.—China Mail Special.

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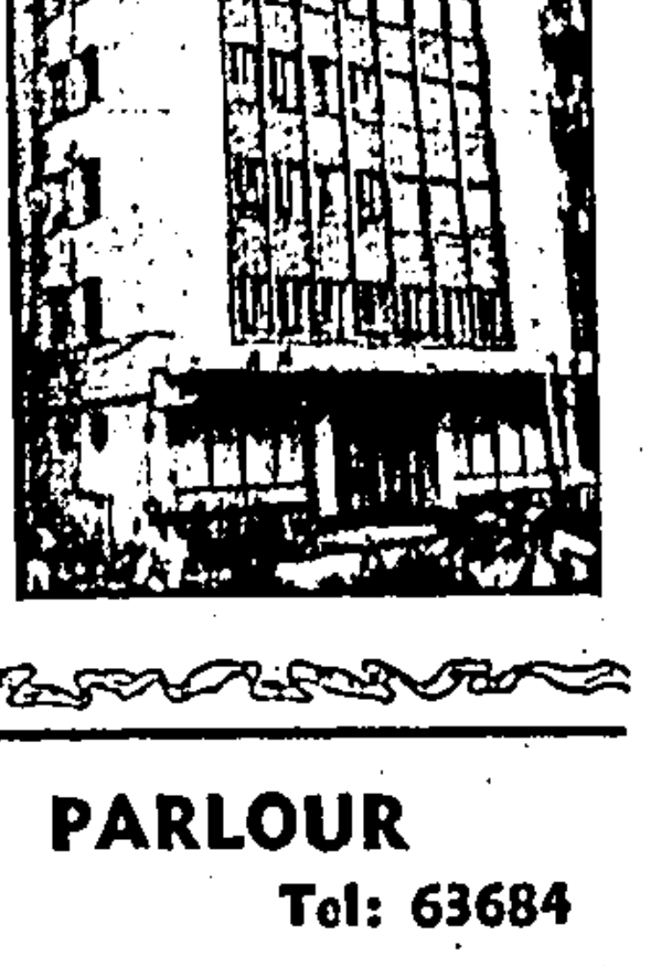

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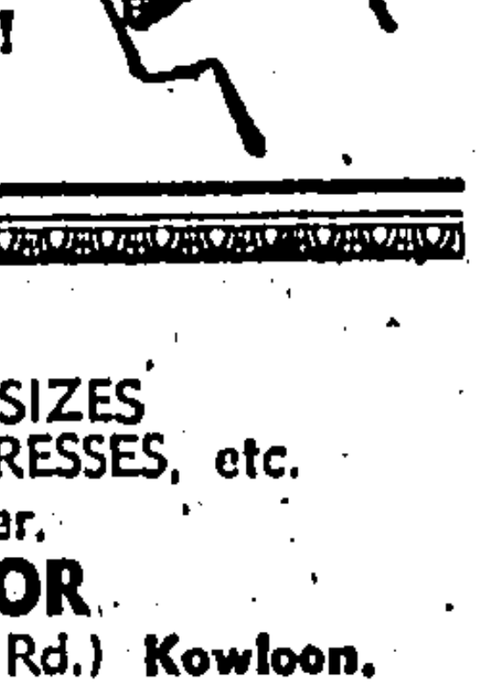

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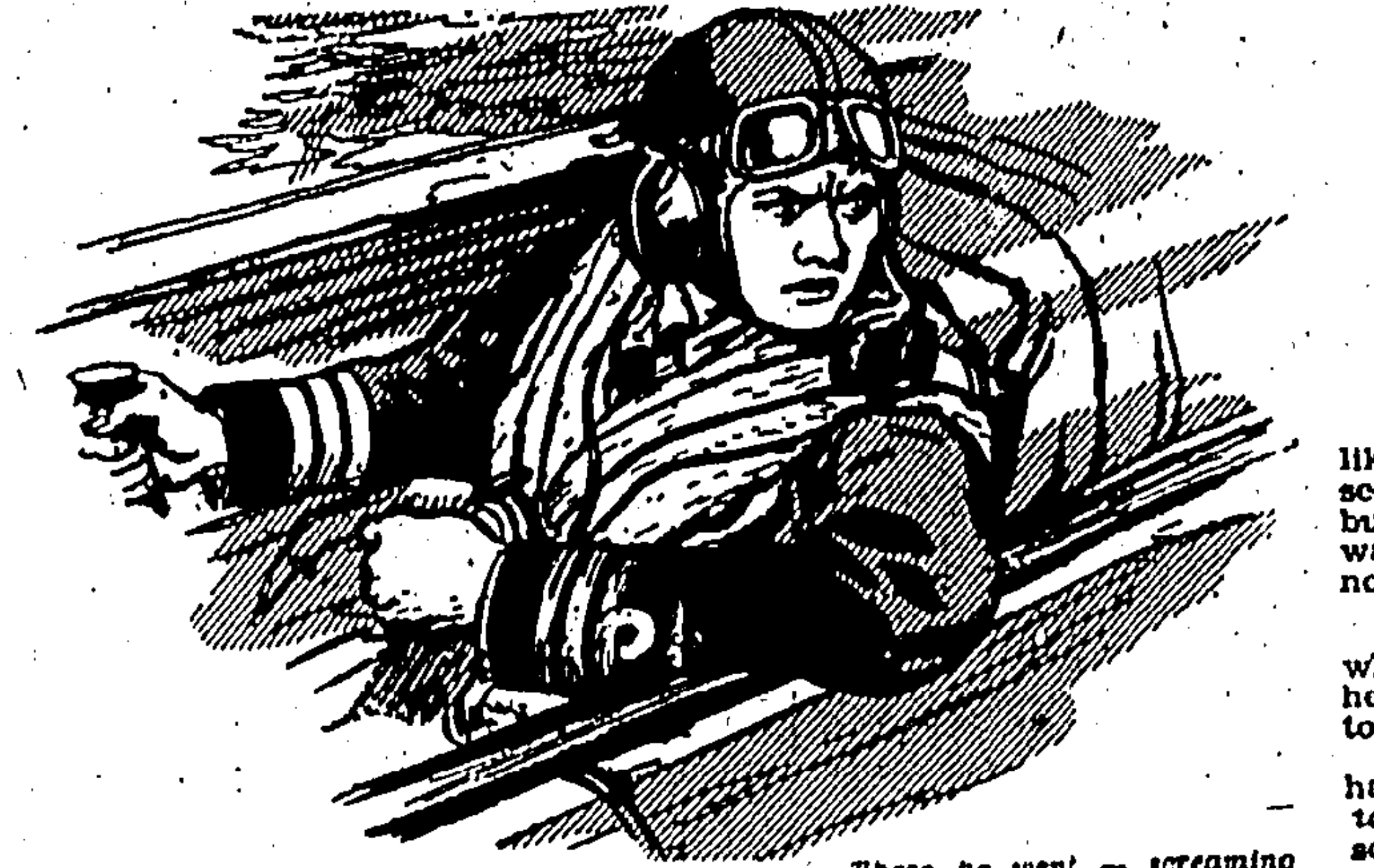

There he went — screaming down and heading straight for the target . . CRASH!

ANYONE who served at sea in the early days of the last war will have vivid memories of the dive-bombing attacks by the German Stukas.

During the prewar days we, on our side, had developed similar tactics, but unfortunately when it came to the test the enemy targets were few and far between. Anyhow, it was during our early experiment in this dive-bombing that the main incident in this story took place.

My No. 2 and I had taken off from an aircraft carrier to try out a new sight. We each carried practice bombs and the idea was to make alternate dives on an aluminium flare which I had dropped as target.

On reaching our height, I waved No. 2 away to await his turn, eased the stick forward and put her into an almost vertical dive.

DID IT HAPPEN?

Down—down—down—at 500 I pressed the release, pulled up into a steep climbing turn, and looking over my shoulder saw a white puff of smoke in the middle of the flare. A bull's eye. Money for old rope.

I glanced up and there was No. 2 heeling over into his dive. There he went screaming down and heading straight for the target. 3,000—2,000—1,000—"Steady now. Don't leave it too late"—400—200—"Look out"—Crash!

As I circled over the spot, a wheel and a few bits of wreckage bobbed up to the surface . . . and that was all.

One of the worst

I flew back to the aircraft carrier and made one of the worst deck-landings on record.

That night, as I tossed and turned in my bunk, I still couldn't believe it was true. Not only was No. 2 a great personal friend but a first-class pilot with as cool a brain as you could find in the Fleet Air Arm. The very thought of his having misjudged his height was absurd, there could only be one solution . . . some mechanical defect due to the unusually steep dive.

For the second time in their service all aircraft of that particular type were grounded while I and my new No. 2, "Shorty," made exhaustive tests to try to find out what had gone wrong.

But we could prove nothing. Again and again we put our aircraft through similar dives, but they took it as good as gold without a sign of any structural weakness.

Eventually the powers that be came to the only possible conclusion, "human error," and the no-flying ban was removed. Months went by during which we developed dive-bombing to a fine art. No further incidents.

And yet, in spite of all the evidence, nothing could persuade me that No. 2 had had a black-out or had made an error of judgment—he just wasn't that sort.

We finished the cruise, disembarked for a short leave, then flew back on board for the spring cruise to the Mediterranean.

A few days later there was a knock at my door and there stood Shorty nervously twiddling his cap. "Could he speak to me in private?"

Being so soon after the leave period I naturally suspected woman trouble, but far from it. "It's about the crash."

He didn't seem to want to go on, but after I'd settled him in a chair and given him a cigarette, he took a big gulp and out it came.

A trance

"My father," he said, "died some years ago and since then my mother has become a terribly keen spiritualist, and is always trying to get in touch. Last week she persuaded me to go to a seance. I didn't want to a bit. I don't understand those sort of things, but she was so keen on the idea and so certain that I could help, that I couldn't very well refuse."

Shorty wriggled uncomfortably in his chair. "It was a strange sort of set-up," he went on. "Mostly old ladies except for one rather attractive girl, who turned out to be the medium. After a while they dimmed the lights and she went off into a trance. Everyone else leaned forward expectantly, but I sat back in my corner trying hard not to appear sceptical, and at the same time longing to get the whole thing over and done with.

"It was a bit hot and I think I must have dozed off. Anyhow, I suddenly felt mother digging me in the ribs and found to my horror that everyone was looking at me.

"'He's very indistinct,' droned the medium, 'so I think he can only have passed over a short time ago. Yes, something to do with flying . . . he seems to think there is someone in this room who used to fly with him.'"

Shorty stubbed out his cigarette. "No wonder the old ladies were all looking at me. I was the only 'possible.'

"I tried desperately to look like someone who had never seen an aeroplane in his life, but it was no good. Mother was already pointing to me and nodding.

"The medium seemed to sense what was going on in spite of her closed eyes. 'Would you like to ask a question?'

"At that moment I would have given anything to be able to think up some innocuous question calling for an easy non-committal reply, but the thought which had been uppermost in our minds seemed to blot out everything else."

by Anthony Kimmins

CAPTAIN ANTHONY KIMMINS spent both world wars in the Navy and finished off the last as Chief of Naval Information in the Pacific. In between, he wrote While Parents Sleep and other plays, and he has since produced and directed such films as Mine Own Executioner and The Captain's Paradise. Fifty-four this year, he has a wife and two children and lives in Kensington. He was awarded the OBE in 1946.

"'What went wrong?'

There was a long pause during which the girl swayed to and fro and started to shake.

"'He's very new . . . and it's very difficult . . . apparently something . . . I can't make out what . . . came loose . . . and hit him.'"

Shorty got up from his chair and picked up his cap.

"It sounds so darned silly now . . . said in cold blood. But I thought you'd like to know."

And with that he was gone.

As the door closed I sat very still. Why the devil hadn't I thought of this before? Why hadn't I remembered the *first* time those particular aircraft were grounded?

I had been ferrying one of the earliest to come out of the makers for deck-landing acceptance trials, and my route had taken me over Northolt, then an RAF fighter station.

New toy

It was a lovely day, and as I looked down at the airfield I knew that all the RAF pilots would be looking up at this new Fleet Air Arm type and making suitably caustic remarks. "All right, I'd show 'em," I said to myself, and to the best of my ability put her through her paces, finishing with a steep dive and beat-up of the tarmac.

As the speed mounted and the flying wires started screaming there was a sudden, completely unexpected "swish." I don't know whether I saw it or just heard it, something—a quite small something—had whistled past my head. A moment later I had forgotten all about it in the thrill of showing off my new toy, and it wasn't until I landed, and one of my ground crew pointed out that an inspection plate on the engine cowling was missing, that I remembered the incident and figured what must have happened.

Even then I thought little of it. It was only a small plate, just big enough to allow for minor adjustments without removing the whole cowling, but a stronger locking device was obviously required. Just one of the inevitable teething troubles one expects in any new type of aircraft.

At the same time, regulations decreed that all aircraft must always be grounded while any modification is put in hand. A few days later we were back in the air and the trifle was banished from my mind.

But now, months later, as Shorty slammed my cabin door, every detail of that dive on Northolt came rushing back. Could that be the answer?

I ran up to the hangar and climbed into my aircraft. Yes, the slipstream would carry the plate mighty close to the windscreen, and if one was leaning a bit to one side....

The aircraft log books, in which every detail of modifications and so on are entered, had been returned to our shore base, so there was nothing for it but to curb my impatience until we flew off at the end of the cruise.

And what did I find? First that due to wear, No. 2's engine cowling had been replaced just before the accident. And secondly—and far more important—that the replacement cowling drawn from the ship's stores had been one of a batch of assorted spares sent direct from the makers to the aircraft carrier... What's more, that particular batch of stores had been in transit at the time the modification was ordered.

I left it at that. There seemed no point in trying to find a scapegoat, and I am sure No. 2 would have hated me to do so.

But did he want to tell us what happened?

Your guess is as good as mine. But personally I have always felt a warm glow in my firm conviction that he didn't make an error of judgment.

He just wasn't that sort.

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DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES	NO

● *Put your tick in the space above and keep this panel by you until tomorrow . . when the answer will be given—with another story in this series by . .*

BENNY HILL

● Did yesterday's story—The Man on the Beach, by John Montgomery—actually happen? The answer is: YES.

LOVE, KHRUSHCHEV, AND COMRADE KOVACS

HUMOUR BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN

By JOHN CLEWS

SINCE the visit of the Soviet delegation headed by Nikita Khrushchev to President Tito in Yugoslavia, a story has been going the rounds in Polish circles. According to this story, Khrushchev had a length of English cloth which he wanted making up into a suit. Well known for his corpulence, he went to a Moscow tailor's for a fitting. After measuring him, the tailor said: "I am sorry, Comrade Khrushchev, but you are too big for the length. I cannot fit you."

A day or two after Khrushchev had arrived in Belgrade he took the material to a Yugoslav tailor and again asked to be fitted, explaining that his Moscow tailor had found him too big. The Belgrade tailor measured the cloth and then looked him up and down. "You may be a big person in Moscow," he said, "but you are only a small person here. I will have no difficulty in fitting you."

Off The Record

This sort of joke is quite definitely off the record, but there are many like it. Humour behind the Iron Curtain is a very interesting—and funny—thing. There are two kinds of jokes, official and unofficial. Official jokes have a purpose. They are barbed, and aimed at minor individuals and deficiencies. They never attack official policies, for that is forbidden in Communist society, but they do reveal many weaknesses besides being, often, very humorous.

For instance, the Polish satirical paper, Szpilki, recently lampooned the notorious rigidity of many minor Communist officials in a dialogue between two of them in which one said, "and thus, according to party directives, you should act independently, develop the initiative of the masses and cement ties with them...."

To which the other replied: "Yes, Comrade, but with respect to the independence of action, when will we receive directives on this topic from the Central Committee?"

Another cartoon from Szpilki has shown up a new approach to an old subject — love. In Stalin's days this was taboo. Courtship then was quite seriously presented as the suitor pressing his claim with a production success, while his beloved parried with an adroit challenge to a further output competition.

Now this is changed, and Szpilki can hit out at the zealous but short-sighted party secretary who storms at a girl comrade: "Don't try to get out of it, Comrade. You have dishonoured the name of our organisation. I myself saw Comrade Pietrzyk secretly squeezing your hand...."

Travel Around

Some of these jokes travel around, for it is common practice for the East European satirical papers, such as Szpilki or Urzica in Rumania, to reprint cartoons from the Soviet Krokodil without revealing the fact. Thus the Krokodil story about the man looking at a dilapidated building, asking when was it going to be repaired only to receive the reply that it had just been built, has so far appeared in one or two East European papers as a local joke, complete with the original Russian picture!

There is no doubt that the "underground" jokes also get carried across the borders, especially as they are repeated in the programmes of the anti-Communist Radio Free Europe, whose broadcasts from Munich have many clandestine listeners in all the Iron Curtain countries. In fact, there is quite a basis for the admittedly apocryphal story of the little girl who was taken into the Turda Street police station in Bucharest.

"She is lost," said the policeman, "she doesn't know her name or where her parents live. What shall we do?" The duty-officer suggested that her description might be broadcast over the radio. Overhearing, the little girl piped up: "Comrades, if you want to send a report over the radio, send it to Radio Free Europe, it's the only station my parents listen to!"

Somewhat Grim

This story, slight as it is, is somewhat grim when the possible penalties for listening to such Western stations are remembered. Equally grim is the recent story of a local Communist meeting in Hungary, at which the party secretary spoke on economic affairs. He told the audience that Hungary had 1,270,000 cows, 6,800,000 pigs and 18,093,112 chickens. After the lecture he called for questions.

Comrade Kovacs timidly walked from the back of the room and asked: "If there are really so many cows, where is the beef and the milk? If there is really so much poultry, where are the eggs?" The party secretary declared the meeting at an end and said he would answer this most valuable comment the following week.

At the next meeting the party secretary answered the questions of Comrade Kovacs. He said that Hungary had 1,270,000 cows, whose meat went to the workers' canteens, while the milk went to the hospitals. Hungary had 6,800,000 pigs, the pork from which went to the consumers. Similarly, the eggs of the 18 million hens went to the market.

The party secretary ended his speech and asked if there were any more questions. A voice shouted from the rear: "Now we know where the meat, milk and eggs are, but what we don't know is—where is Comrade Kovacs."

Yet another story of this nature started in Poland and has just turned up in Hungary. At a party meeting the lecturer was assuring the audience that the Communists were producing more goods at lower prices. But one listener kept shaking his head in disagreement. Finally the lecturer could stand it no longer. He leaned over and asked: "Why do you keep disagreeing like this?"

"Well," came the reply, "whenever I go round the shops there are fewer goods than ever."

"You make a serious mistake, Comrade," replied the speaker ominously. "You should go round the shops less and read the papers more carefully."

Different

But perhaps the best Iron Curtain story of all comes from a scientific meeting in Britain, where a British Communist sympathiser, explaining why East Europeans attacked West German rearmament but never that in Eastern Germany, said that different countries had different social conventions and "it is not a convention in countries of Eastern Europe to criticise their Governments."

ZILCH, ZUMSI GO TO SCHOOL

From JAMES COOPER

New York.

IF JOHN has zumsi sloogles and James has zilch, how many sloogles do they have together? The answer is gerf sloogles.

No, this is not gibberish. It is a new method of teaching arithmetic being tried at Dearborn High School, Michigan.

School principal Otto Olsen has a theory that the old-fashioned sums about John having two apples and James one confuse pupils because they think more about apples than about the problem. So he has substituted zilch, zumsi, and gerf for one, two and three, and sloogles and quins for apples and oranges.

Says he: "The non-meaningful six words help the student realise he is dealing with neither apples nor sloogles but abstract mathematical symbols."

WHILE we are on unusual words, a pogonotomist for the American Safety Razor Corporation reports that after analysing 25,000 shaves over several years he has found whiskers grow five millimetres a day faster in hot weather.

That means a winter five o'clock shadow at three p.m. in summer.

Pogonotomist: an expert on beards.

IN ONE DAY 72 New York policemen have resigned to become firemen.

Starting pay £28 a week, is the same—but firemen can take spare-time jobs forbidden to policemen.

GOLFERS throughout the U.S. have an average score of 103, says a survey. That makes both President Eisenhower and myself feel better.

THE KIDNAPPERS, the British picture, has been nominated for the American 1955 award for the foreign film that has made the greatest contribution to international good will and understanding.

PEOPLE with high blood pressure or other complaints must have a doctor's certificate that they are fit to drive before New York State will renew their licence. This starts next week.

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HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word, the letters in each of the small squares may be used once only. Each word *must* contain the large letter in the centre square, and there *must* be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 27 words, *good*; 32 words, *very good*; 38 words, *excellent*. Solution, tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Alive aloe aulic calve caul cavil celi clique clove clue coal coalie coequal coeval coil equal EQUIVOCAL evil lace lalo lave lieu live love luce olive oval quail vacuole vale value veal veil vial vile viol viola vocal voile vole.

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

DR STRABISMUS (Whom God Preserve) of Utrecht has invented a device for getting fluff out of ferrets' ears.

It is a suction-valve-haul-blower with metal plungers and chocked feeds. When the skink is pressed a caul releases the buttle-grab, and a shafted zoin-lever disengages the brazzel-dip. Almost at once a Sefton hatch-block falls into position, and the valve adjusts itself between the two swipe-cords at the back of the clatt. The fluff is then drawn through a gauze guke-roller into a zinc container attached to the snarl-ends by oxiniated wire-fibres. This is claimed by the Doctor to be an improvement on the Haxenford and Nydstrom methods.

Mimsie Slopcorner

THE absence of a famous name from the herds of carnival queens this summer has been remarked upon. But Mimsie Slopcorner can afford to pick and choose, and is not likely to repeat the mistake she made when she consented to be the Plastic Dustbin Queen of Bibthorpe-cum-Fuddley, and was asked to emerge from a dustbin in the market-place, in her crown and robes. "One never knows what one will find in a dustbin nowadays," said the mayor, with forced bonhomie. This year she is biding her time, and is said to be considering an offer to officiate as the Gasworks Fairy Princess of Smogworthy.

Gee, folks

I feel that a genuine peer will give class and dignity to my show.

(American television actress.)

ESPECIALLY if he wears a coronet and is photographed on the steps of a castle, accepting a glass of iced port from a liveried footman, while in the walled garden hounds and horsemen gather for the meet under the hot summer sun.

The way out

THERE is only one way to deal with the coal situation. Increase the subsidy for imported coal to £5 a ton, thus making it cheaper for the householder, and re-export most of it in order to reimport it, in place of our own coal, which is needed for export.

Rolling down to Rio

The Admiral's wife and the Attache's wife tasted the port, and each made a little grimace.

(Account of banquet.)

"A port in every wife," vouchsafed a naval rating.

(ENTER 12 girls in kilts, doing the hornpipe, and singing "Ship ahoy on Portsmouth hard.")

Stop press

AN assistant lift-man (a Persian) at the new headquarters of the Council of World Federated Culture at Notting Hill Gate pleaded diplomatic privilege when reported for slashing the tyres of cars in a nearby car-park.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Frustration Double Relieves Feelings

By OSWALD JACOBY

EAST'S double in today's hand is known among bridge players as the "frustration" double. It's like using a cuss-word. It isn't very sensible, but it may relieve your feelings for the moment.

Let's see what happened, and then we can return to a further discussion of the bidding. West opened the deuce of hearts, and the suit was continued until South ruffed the third round. South cashed the ace of clubs, knocked out the ace of spades, ruffed a club return, cashed the queen of spades, and ruffed a spade in dummy. He then led a trump, and East could take the ace of trumps.

The defenders managed to get two hearts, one spade, and one trump. South therefore scored game and rubber for his doubled contract of three diamonds.

Every bit of this could have been predicted from the bidding. It was evident that South had two five-card suits from the fact that he opened with spades and then bid and rebid diamonds. It was also evident that North had a decided preference for diamonds, since he didn't go back to spades. This fact was evident also from the spade length in the East hand.

If East had listened calmly and logically to the bidding, he would have been able to visualise the hands of the opponents very substantially as they were. Having done so, he wouldn't have doubled three diamonds. It would be obvious that the 20-point hand might take only three or four tricks on defence.

East should have gone on to three hearts. He could expect to make this contract with reasonable luck. (Actually, he would have, unless South led trumps very promptly.) If South persisted to four diamonds, East could pass in the hope that South was at last out of his depth. But a really careful East wouldn't double even four diamonds, let alone three!

NORTH 9
♠ 6 2
♥ 7 5 4
♦ 10 7 6 3
♣ K 9 8 3

WEST
♠ 7 3
♥ Q 9 2
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 7 6 4 2

EAST
♠ A 10 9 5
♥ A K J 10 8
♦ A Q
♣ Q 5

SOUTH (D)
♠ K Q J 8 4
♥ 6 3
♦ K J 9 8 5
♣ A

North-South vul.

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	Pass	Double
2 ♦	Pass	Pass	2 ♥
3 ♦	Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead—♥ 2

♥♣ CARD *Sense* ♠♦

Q—The bidding has been:

South	West	North	East
1 Heart	Pass	2 Clubs	Pass
2 Hearts	Pass	2 Spades	Pass
?			

You, South, hold:
♠72 ♥AKJ97 ♦K85 ♣A62
What do you do?

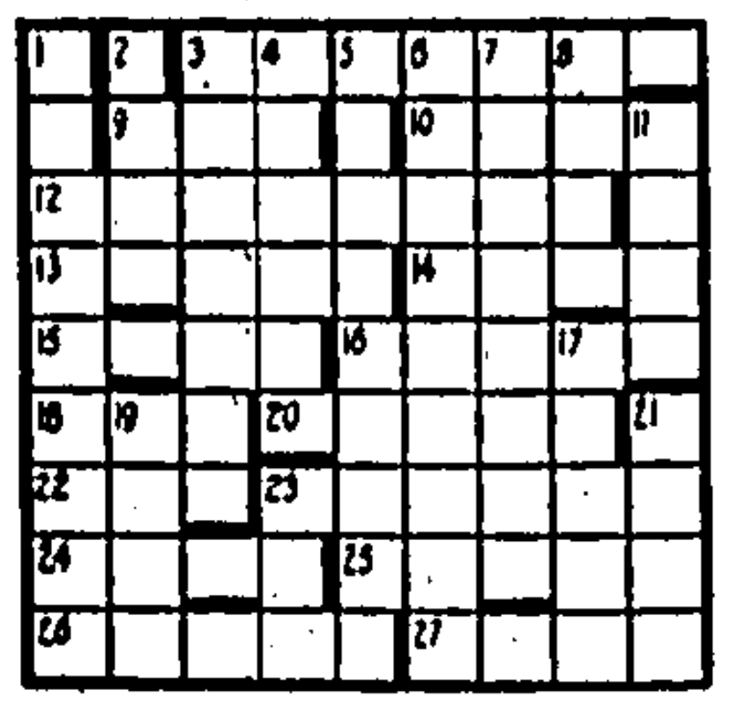
A—Bid two no-trump. You are tempted to make a stronger bid because you have 15 points, but you cannot jump in no-trump with only a single stopper in the unbid suit, and no other strong bid is available.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠732 ♥KQJ83 ♦AQ5 ♣K6
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD



Across
2. P.T. includes a troublesome creep. (7)
9. This goes on your income. (3)
10. No cricket circle, here! (4)
12. He's always right, they say. (8)
13. The jewel is on its own. (5)
14. Bird of this kind does not make a good pet. (4)
15. Signify something low, but sometimes golden. (4)
16. The last part of 5 Down. (5)
18. You get many a peat one in Eire. (3)
20. You get many a meal of this in Lancashire. (6)
22. Lady of All Hallows? (3)
23. These set a problem. (6)
24. Not far, the mean fellow! (4)
25. Small change. (5)
26. They take a load for you. (5)
27. This, with you, was a catch phrase of the 'twenties. (4)

Down
1. Number etc. (anag.) (9)
2. Strike a stupefying blow. (4)
3. Sir John Franklin tried to find one in the north west. (7)
4. I come out of the exit, and ten take my place. (6)
5. Potatoes and turnips, for instance. (4-5)
6. Miss C. Rope (anag.). (9)
7. The hospitable door. (4-4)
8. Trim. (4)
11. They were made up about ancient Rome. (4)
17. Hotspur was one. (6)
19. It marks a bit of a change at the 10 Across. (4)
21. Sue's around. (4)
23. Paul is one of the family. (3)

M	I	T	I	G	A	T	E	S
A	D	E	N	A	B	Y	S	S
R	E	A	T	D	E	R	B	Y
G	A	R	R	U	L	O	U	S
A	L	E	I	R	S	O	R	T
R	A	N	C	H	M	A	N	E
I	D	A	A	O	A	N	Y	M
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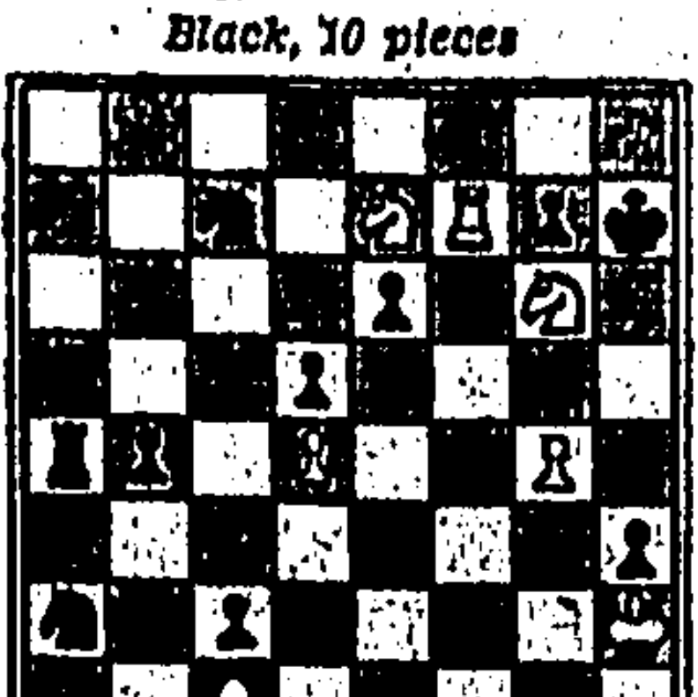
Yesterday's solution

CHESS PROBLEM

By D. HJELLE

Black, 10 pieces



White, 7 pieces.

White to play; mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt—K6, any; 2. Q, R, B or P mates.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

BORN today, you are honest, understanding and kindly. You know how to hold to your beliefs without angering those with whom you are in competition. Yet you take your stand and abide by it firmly. In this fashion you are able to get what you want out of life, even emerging from obscurity and adversity into a bigger and better triumph than perhaps you had ever dreamed.

You have a great deal of self-confidence and rely upon your own judgment and wisdom, seldom asking advice from others. Often you appear reckless to those who are unwilling to take as many chances as you are. Yet, you have the faculty of always landing on your feet and ready for something better ahead.

Your emotions are near the surface and you are demonstrative with those whom you love. You of the fair sex are inclined to be flirtatious and probably have several offers of marriage before you decide to settle down. Once you have selected your mate, you are loyal and probably have an unusually contented and satisfactory marriage. If by some chance you were not to have a family of your own, you would make a fine foster parent.

Among those born on this date are: Cecil de Mille, producer; King George IV of England; Mary Roberts Rinehart, Frank Swinnerton, authors; Katherine Lee Bates, poet; Colleen Moore and Pauline Fredericks, actresses; George Bellows, artist; Sophie Breslau, singer; Vincent Bendix, aeronautics pioneer and Gene Raymond, actor.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—If the midsummer heat is really rugged, plan to go to the beach for a swim.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Get some pleasant outdoor relaxation and you will discover that it increases your energy.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Let down tensions now. Utilise the week-end for a good rest and relaxation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Don't carry business worries home with you. What can't be finished at the office, leave it behind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If you can get a two-day break from your regular routine, take it; the change will be good for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Get away into the country or go to the beach for the week-end if at all possible and relax tensions for a couple of days.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Perhaps you have been sticking too closely to monotonous work. Get a change of scene for a while.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Don't talk too much about your plans. Keep silent until you are really ready to act. Things work out better.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—You may have some home chores you have been saving. Get an early start, finish them, and then you can play.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be diplomatic at home. You could find yourself in hot water if you say the wrong thing now!

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Perhaps you can offer to help a friend and in that way compensate for favours you have previously received.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Good luck could come your way just now. A new friend might bring you new joy. Aspects are fine.

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"You know very well what hat!"

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Everyone Has to Learn

—Even Little Birds Need Flying Lessons—

By MAX TRELL

"IT beats me," Squire Squirrel was saying to Kharf the shadow-boy with the turned-about name. "It sure beats me all hollow."

Squire Squirrel was sitting on his haunches at the foot of the Maple Tree, shaking his head from side to side in a very worried way.

Knarf said: "I don't understand what you mean, Squire. What beats you all hollow?"

"The birds," said the Squire.

This didn't make things clearer for Knarf at all. He was still puzzled over what Squire Squirrel was saying. "What about the birds, Squire?"

"Well," said Squire Squirrel, taking out an acorn pipe and putting it in his mouth, "I suppose I'd better begin from the beginning. Now you know there are quite a lot of birds living in this Maple Tree o' mine:—robins and swallows and wrens and thrushes and a few other kind.

Odds And Ends

"Now the first thing these birds do," Squire went on, "is to build themselves nests out of straw and hay and bits of leaves and bits of string and all kinds of odds and ends. Of course, I'm not one to criticise anybody's house. But a nest isn't the sort of thing I'd live in, what with no roof or walls or doors or windows! But that's their affairs."

"Everyone knows that birds live in nests," said Knarf.

"Yes," Squire Squirrel went on, "and by and by there are eggs—and by and by the eggs hatch into more birds—young ones."

"That's right," said Knarf.

When They Grow Up

"And by and by," Squire Squirrel said, "these young birds are big enough to stand up in their nests. And now the strangest thing of all happens."

"What?" asked Knarf.

"This," said Squire Squirrel. "Their mamas and papas teach them how to fly!"

"Why, what's strange about that?" asked Knarf in surprise.

"Imagine teaching a bird how to fly," said Squire Squirrel. "It beats me, it does! It beats me all hollow!"

And Squire Squirrel kept repeating: "Imagine teaching a bird how to fly! Just imagine!"

It took Knarf quite a while to convince Squire Squirrel that even birds had to learn how to use their wings in order to fly.

Squire Squirrel was shaking his head in a worried way.

"Young ducks have to learn how to swim," he told Squire.

"They do?" said Squire Squirrel in a surprised way.

"And young canaries have to learn how to sing," said Knarf.

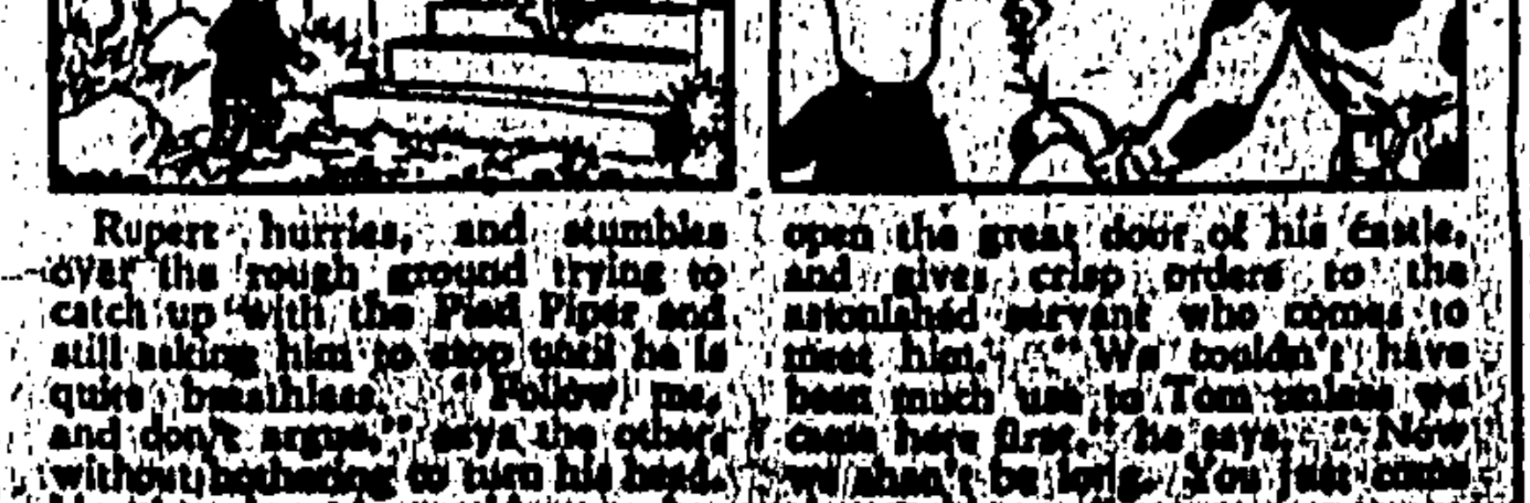
"You mean it!" exclaimed Squire Squirrel.

"And I bet," said Knarf, "that young squirrels have to learn how to crack open an acorn."

For a moment Squire Squirrel was silent. Then a smile slowly appeared on his face.

"By golly, you're right, Knarf. I never thought of that! I guess babies and children have to learn pretty much everything!"

Rupert & the Distant Music—35



Rupert hurries, and stumbles over the rough ground trying to catch up with the Pied Piper and still asking him to stop until he is quite breathless. "Follow me, and don't argue," says the other without bothering to turn his head. Up the slope he strides, pushes open the great door of his castle, and gives crisp orders to the astonished servant who comes to meet him. "We couldn't have been much use to Tom unless we came here first," he says. "Now we shan't be long. You just come along with me."

[illegible]

Yet another new Rupert —

RUPERT

and the

French Poodles

WOMANSENSE

Elegant Toque For Afternoon

Featured in Emma Pierron's Autumn-Winter collection is this elegant velvet toque for afternoon, decorated with pheasant plumes.—Agence France-Presse.

Supervised Programme Recommended For Children's Vacation

New York.

The Huckleberry Finn type of vacation can do children more harm than good, according to Mrs Isabelle Buckley, who runs the Buckley private schools in California and Michigan.

The vacation where "children run wild and fancy-free is a harmful experience," she explained, adding that "children return to school in the autumn actually retarded by a summer spent that way."

Mrs Buckley pointed out that during a school year children are under a regulated programme.

"Their minds are constructively stimulated and directed," she said. "Complete absence of a daily programme is emotionally upsetting. Vacations are of course necessary, but should include some supervison."

Growth and development go on during vacation. Mental habits continue to be formed, moral habits to be strengthened or weakened.

"With the bars down good habits can be upset," she cautioned.

The educator suggested that parents supplement picnics and days at the beach with a summer programme which will include supervised play, carefully selected reading, and short trips of an educational nature.—United Press.

Ideas From Italy Showing The Right Way To Wear

That "Odd" Jacket

We have learned to use the word "odd" to describe the casual jacket which we wear in spring and autumn to partner a skirt or dress. But misuse of a useful fashion has made the description unhappily true.

There's the awful double triangle—not an unhappy state of matrimony, but a wide loose jacket worn over an even wider, fuller skirt. The slimmest girl develops an odd floating-looking shape dressed this way.

Then there's the "Little Girl Lost"—a feminine version of the famous book title. Slender and petite, she hides away inside a large lumber jacket, or a straight loose jacket which hides any vestige of curve she proudly possesses.

The new, waist-length fitted jiggers can happily cope with both of the problems.

THE WORST SIN

To my mind, however, the worst sin of all, is to use an ordinary suit jacket for wear over a cotton dress. Not only are the two materials most unhappily allied, but you are also doing your best to wear out one half of a good suit. A wool cardigan is a perfect partner for cottons.

From the ever-growing popularity of Italian models, it is easy to pick exciting new jacket styles and colours. And even though these are mainly intended as suit teams, the ideas ring just as true.

For instance, lightweight wool tweed in red and white makes an effective tapered barrel jacket with low yoke and buttoned half-belt at a recent dress show. This would be a very smart jacket to pick for wear with a slim, straight skirt.

Another model, an all-purpose jacket in soft wool with slit sides and slit three-quarter length sleeves to match, could be worn with almost anything. The new sleeve-length lends itself to gay pastel gloves. And the length of the jacket, just touching the hipbone, is a new fashion note.

The true "odd" jacket in reality has nothing odd about it, apart from the name. One model in a vivid shade of madonna blue wool, has a round collar to be worn up or down according to the weather, adaptable cuffs which can be worn full-length or seven-eighths length according to choice, and very smart wide flapped pockets.

This last style is a certain winner, especially if teamed with a white skirt and hat. There are buttons at the neck which help conceal a blouse of jumper of a different shade. If you pick up a jacket with lines like these, it will be smart, casual, warm, practical but it certainly won't warrant the title "odd."

—*JANE FIRTH*

NEW "RUPERT" BOOK

Rupert, whose adventures are a never-ending source of delight for youthful readers of the China Mail, has once again appeared in book form.

The 25th adventure series is titled "Rupert and the French Poodles," and the booklet, priced at $1, contains two exciting new stories, fully illustrated in attractive colours.

"Rupert and the French Poodles" is on sale at the South China Morning Post, Ltd, both at the head office, Wyndham Street and the Kowloon office, Salisbury Road.

Household Hints

Give your wooden serving ware special care for longer wear. Clean it immediately after use, with as little water as possible. Don't immerse wooden utensils and never soak them. If roughened, they can be smoothed with sandpaper, but never should be polished, waxed or varnished.

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COUNTY CRICKET

Surrey Beats Somerset By An Innings And 100 Runs In 75 Minutes

London, Aug. 11.

The Surrey combination of Tony Lock, left-arm spinner, and Alec Bedser, medium pacer, quickly finished off Somerset in the English County Cricket Championship today.

Surrey, the Champions, won by an innings and 100 runs in 75 minutes. Somerset, who yesterday made the smallest total of the season—36—and followed on 191 runs behind, were all out for 91 in their second innings.

Bedser took four wickets for 32 runs making his match analysis nine for 47. Lock's six for 40 in the second innings have him match figures of ten for 54.

In the last three games Lock, who played against South Africa in the final Test on Saturday, has been in superlative form, taking 36 wickets for 266 runs—an average of just over seven runs each.

OTHER MATCHES

In one of the two other Championship matches to be completed today, Middlesex beat Warwickshire by 24 runs at Lords where 21 wickets fell for an aggregate of 330 runs. Warwickshire were set to make 193 for victory but Middlesex got them out for 168.

Fred Titmus, the 22-year-old Middlesex all-rounder, turned the scales against Warwickshire by dismissing five of their most dangerous batsmen at a cost of 47 runs.

The England and Middlesex batsman, Denis Compton, was again hit on the injured first finger of his right hand but the damage was not aggravated. He hit 34 valuable runs including a mighty six, which sailed over the rails near the tavern.

Northamptonshire beat Worcestershire by an innings and 51 runs. Northamptonshire's left-arm spinners, Vincent Broderick and George Tribe, the Australian all-rounder bowled out Worcestershire in 135 minutes for 100 runs inflicting on Worcestershire their sixth two-day defeat of the season.

Broderick took five for 25 and Tribe four for 40, Raman Subba-Row, the former Cambridge Blue, and Australian-born Jock Livingston both hit centuries for Northampton.

ANXIETY

Yorkshire had long periods of anxiety before they claimed a first innings lead over Nottinghamshire at Scarborough. With half the side out they were still 92 behind but were saved by Ray Illingworth playing his first innings since he received his County Cap on Monday.

Going in at the fall of the fourth wicket, Illingworth was still there when the arrears were cleared 1¼ hours later and when he was ninth out at 290 he had batted 3¼ hours for 94 including 13 fours.

Twenty-two wickets fell today for 184 runs in the match between Lancashire and Hampshire at Portsmouth in 5½ hours playing time. After dismissing Hampshire for 180, Lancashire found themselves in bad trouble on a rain affected wicket.

Medium paced bowlers Malcolm Heath (five for 14) and Derek Shackleton (three for 24) did most of the damage and when nine wickets were down for 48, Lancashire skipper, Cyril Washbrook, declared so as to give his own bowlers a chance under similar conditions.

Test bowler Brian Statham 39 (three for 15) and spinner Malcolm Hilton (five for 39) responded well and in two hours shot Hampshire out for 99. At the close Lancashire were 17 for one, needing 215 to win.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Woolwich: The Army 254 (Richardson 58, Marner 72) Royal Air Force 126 for five (Leary 75). Two-day match.

At Portsmouth: Hampshire 180 and 99 (Hilton, left-arm slow-spin, five for 39). Lancashire 48 for nine declared (Heath, right-arm fast medium, five for 14) and 17 for one.

At Stourbridge: Northamptonshire beat Worcestershire by an innings and 51 runs. Worcestershire 210 and 100 (Broderick, left-arm slow, five for 25). Northamptonshire 361 (Livingston 107, Subba-Row 102).—Reuter.

Another Casualty In England's Fifth Test Team

London, Aug. 11.

Late tonight Colin Cowdrey, the young Kent and England batsman joined the list of England players who must be considered doubtful for the Fifth Test against South Africa at the Oval here on Saturday.

He received hand injury while batting for Kent against Essex today and it became painful during the evening.

The news about other casualties was more favourable. Tyson (sore heel) Compton (jarred finger) and Watson (bruised hand) were all reported to have shown improvement.—Reuter.

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Malayan Open Tennis Re-Draw

Singapore, Aug. 11.

The Lawn Tennis Association of Malaya decided on a re-draw for the Malayan Open Championships so as to accommodate last-minute entries received from the Men's and Women's Tennis Champions from Ceylon.

The Ceylon players include B. W. Fernando and [illegible] Pinto who will defend their Doubles title and Miss [illegible], the national Singles Champion [illegible]

Singapore Beats Hongkong In Soccer Tourney

Singapore, Aug. 11.

The Royal Air Force, Singapore, won the Command Cup by beating Hongkong by two goals to one in the final of the Far East Air Force Inter-Group Soccer Competition.

Fire engines' auxiliary pumps and fire buckets were commissioned to drain the field of water which accumulated after a heavy rain.

Singapore R.A.F. opening the scoring in the eighth minute but Hongkong equalised in the 20th minute. The score stood at 1-1 at half-time.

Fifteen minutes after the resumption of play Singapore scored the winning goal through a pass from Clarke which Ibrahim slammed into goal from 10 yards.—United Press.

New World Record For The Mile Today?

London, Aug. 12.

A new world record for the Mile may be created here tonight (Friday) when Britain's Chris Chataway and Ken Wood compete against Sandor Iharos and Istvan Rozsavolgyi of Hungary at London's White City Stadium.

The condition of the track is excellent and given good weather for this Britain versus Hungary match it is confidently expected that these four great runners will provide a fast and exciting race.

This event (18.45 GMT) is only one of the highlights of a two-day match in which Britain's athletes face the season's biggest test of strength and prestige by Hungary.

It seems almost certain that with the wealth of talent engaged some new records will be on the books by Saturday night.

From half a mile to six miles the programme is studded with names that have dominated athletics this season.

Chataway paced the world's first four-minute Miler, Roger Bannister, and then paced John Landy (Australia) when he set the present figures of three mins. 58 secs.

He himself was rewarded with an under four minutes Mile earlier this season when beaten by Laszlo Tabori, Hungary's reserve for tomorrow's race.

Iharos has set three world records this year and the current match should prove who is, the better man, Iharos or Chataway, because they are due to clash again over Three Miles on Saturday.

Gordon Pirie's return to the international scene for the first time since he broke down in the British Championship Six Miles last month could produce another thriller as he is partnered over that distance by the man who won the British title, Ken Norris, and they meet Jozsef Kovacs, one of Europe's top distance men.

The Mile, Three Miles, Six Miles and Half Mile could determine the issue of the men's match because in sprints and field events the teams appear evenly matched.—China Mail Special.

WEEK-END LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

The following have been selected to represent their respective clubs in League Lawn Bowls matches tomorrow.

KCC

1st Division (Away) v Club de Recreio "White" at 4 p.m.:—C. I. Stapleton, A. M. Alves, J. N. Wong, T. E. Baker (Skip); A. V. Lopes, D. J. Symons, F. R. Kermani, D. Phillips (Skip); W. Gaffney, J. Tang, E. R. Rosselet, W. Hong Sling (Skip).

2nd Division (Home) v Hongkong Football Club at 4 p.m.:—S. Y. Doe, L. Bones, H. Phoenix, W. J. Howard (Skip); W. G. Dooley, J. Duffield, S. Ramchand, M. J. Divecha (Skip); C. W. Lam, E. P. H. White, G. Lee, R. S. Capell (Skip).

3rd Division (Away) v Hongkong Football Club at 4 p.m.:—A. Liang, R. Teal, R. H. R. Hall, H. A. Triggs (Skip); A. C. Tribble, J. Carvalho, J. F. da Silva, C. T. Champelovier (Skip); N. Chamberlain, P. D. Murphy, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fincher (Skip).

RECREIO

Recreio "Blues" (Away) v I.R.C. "B" at 4 p.m.:—J. E. Noronha, S. E. Souza, G. A. Guterres, R. F. Luz (Skip); C. C. Pereira, A. M. Souza, J. A. Luz, J. F. V. Ribeiro (Skip); C. Roza Pereira, L. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Pereira, C. E. Passos (Skip).

Recreio "Whites" (Home) v K.C.C. at 4 p.m.:—A. A. Guterres, A. M. Baptista, S. Rivero, A. A. Lopes (Skip); G. A. Noronha, F. G. da Luz, A. A. da Silva, C. A. Danenberg (Skip); H. J. Noronha, J. M. Gutierrez, J. L. S. Alves, B. F. Marques (Skip).

CCC

1st Division (Home) v I.R.C. "Gold" at 4 p.m.:—P. Manson, W. C. Ogley, G. Hong Choy, A. E. Coates (Skip); F. Lee, C. R. Rosselet, S. Leonard, B. W. Bradbury (Skip); C. C. Ma, G. Madar, G. A. Souza, F. O. Madar (Skip).

2nd Division (Home) v P.R.C. at 4 p.m.:—W. M. Sousa, R. K. Pavri, T. Leonard, J. W. Leonard (Skip); G. F. Santos, A. F. Ferreira, R. O. Baker, P. K. Lau (Skip); P. R. Ragi, C. K. Sung, J. J. Kelleher, J. A. Fox (Skip).

PRC

1st Division (Home) v. Filipino Club at 4 p.m.:—R. L. Russell, R. G. Laurel, F. W. Hollands, K. F. Bodie (Skip); H. Finney, T. Poynton, R. O. Hughes, H. B. Dewar (Skip); T. N. C. Reynolds, Roza Yu, G. H. Watt, J. H. Goodman (Skip).

2nd Division (Away) v C.C.C. at 4 p.m.:—J. H. Harris, W. R. J. Boxall, G. Willcox, A. Soutar (Skip); M. Williamson, W. Jones, D. E. O'Brien, P. Lowe (Skip); E. S. Jones, Pilkington, E. Lonsdale, H. M. Bryan (Skip).

3rd Division (Away) v K.D.C. at 4 p.m.:—E. G. Jones, F. Roberts, A. E. Jones, R. Mackenzie (Skip); R. F. Smith, J. M. Gurney, V. L. Veriga, G. Arliss (Skip); E. Bellamy, G. T. Carter, A. J. Bennett, W. A. Caton (Skip).

USRC

2nd Division (Away) vs K.D.C. at 4.00 p.m.:— S. S. Flanders, A. Fletcher, R. E. Read, G. Hill (Skip); R. Trolli, A. Buckley, N. Hart-Baker, R. M. Hetherington (Skip); G. S. Goodyear, E. Robinson, M. Scott, G. D. S. Agnew (Skip).

3rd Division (Home) vs H.K.E.R.C. at 4.00 p.m:—F. Rainbow, C. Rolfe, E. Wolstenholme, T. Wren (Skip); W. Collard, R. W. Booker, J. Whitefield, R. F. Green (Skip); G. Strother-Stewart, R. Hastie, G. Walker, A. J. Stonyer (Skip). Reserve: J. Woodward.

HKCC

2nd Division (Away) vs Taikoo at 4 p.m.:—N. Heaton, T. W. R. Wilson, J. Wyper, F. Marshall (Skip); L. Chadwick-Kew, J.R. McAusland, L.G. Young, F. C. B. Black (Skip); A. B. Coleman, L. M. S. Lloyd, A. Duffy, F. D. Angus (Skip).

TAIKOO

2nd Division (Home) vs H.K.C.C. at 4 p.m.:—A. C. Spence, G. T. Graham, W. S. MacHardy, J. H. Kinniburgh (Skip); G. Stark, R. O. Fleming, G. H. Clayton, J. B. Baxter (Skip); B. Douglass, J. McArthur, R. B. Marshall, W. B. Brown (Skip).

KBGC

3rd Division (Home) vs P.O.C. at 4 p.m:—V. C. Bond, E. G. Shaw, H. A. Scott, A. Hutton (Skip); V. I. Thomas, A. D. McCracken, J. McLelland, C. E. Terry (Skip); L. W. Gordon, G. F. Leslie, F. C. Gasson, L. F. G. Cosgrove (Skip).

HKERC

3rd Division (Army) vs U.S.R.C. at 4 p.m.:—V. Kruse, A. R. C. Spencer, W. E. Macfarlane, A. G. Gardner (Skip); E. Land, J. F. Barron, J. K. Mundy, J. K. Sloan (Skip); C. W. Johnson, A. H. Pinnell, F. A. Golding, E. Poulson (Skip).

HKFC

2nd Division (Away) vs K.C.C. at 4 p.m.:—P. Gardner, R. C. Butler, P. Cottier, B. I. Bickford (Skip); H. Black, R. Blyth, W. McColl, K. Forrow (Skip); K. Baker, T. Sneddon, H. Ridsdale, E. Greenwood (Skip). Reserve: W. Bovaird.

3rd Division (Home) vs K.C.C. at 4 p.m.:—B. Laing, R. Jones, W. Taylor, M. Rakusen (Skip); R. C. Baker, W. Woodstock, K. Summers, H. Shields (Skip); A. Boyd-Cowan, F. Jones, H. Holgate, E. Gauther (Skip). Reserve: N. Van-Heck.

FC

1st Division (Away) vs P.R.C. at 4 p.m.:—A. J. Coelho, J. Lee, J. A. Tibble, C. A. Coelho (Skip); M. T. Nunes, B. M. V. Ribeiro, J. T. Cotton, L. S. Silva (Skip); E. J. Xavier, A. C. Reis, A. Bachoo, R. Bass (Skip). Reserve: F. Tan.

3rd Division (Home) vs K.B.G.C. on Wednesday 17th at 5.15 p.m.:— C. M. Rosario, C. M. Franco, M. J. Rull, A. Ribeiro (Skip); T. M. Casimo, L. A. Rosario, A. Costa, J. Tao (Skip); B. [illegible] [illegible], V. Ribeiro (Skip). Reserve: [illegible]

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South Africans In A Strong Position Against Leicestershire

London, Aug. 11.

The South African touring team were very strongly placed at the end of the second day's play in their match against Leicestershire at Leicester.

The home county, all out in their first innings for 208, will have to follow on tomorrow when the match is resumed, requiring 256 runs to make South Africa bat again.

Their task is well nigh impossible, for with one of the weaker batting sides in the English County table, they will furthermore have the handicap of having to bat on a wicket that is giving considerable help now in the later stages of the game to the spin bowlers.

The tourists should therefore help themselves to a final winning fillip before the all-important encounter starting at the Oval on Saturday next, and towards which the whole of this season is heading as if to a great and crowning finale.

This morning, when play was resumed, Cheetham gave himself and his overnight partner Mansell another 50 minutes batting, during which time 73 runs were added for the seventh wicket.

LAST STROKE

With almost the last stroke of the innings Mansell reached his 50. With the total at 463, Cheetham declared and out came Leicestershire to begin the long long road to recovery, if they could. And at first all went well for them: 22 runs came from Adcock's first five overs, but after a shaky start he recovered and finding his old bite, length and direction, soon claimed wickets.

First with the total at 42 he had Lester brilliantly caught at slip by Mansell. Then at 62 Tompkin was leg before. A few runs later McGlew took a good catch at mid-off off Murray to dismiss Smith and that was three wickets gone for 81.

Palmer and Jackson, batting carefully took the score to 113 before Jackson was out at 11, having a swing at Tayfield. Tayfield today, bowling an immaculate length, had all the batsmen pegged down and finding it well nigh impossible to pierce his cleverly placed field.

At one stage, Palmer and Jackson could only add seven runs in half an hour. Eventually Jackson was unable to restrain himself any longer and lashing out, paid the penalty and was caught.

Palmer and Diment then proceeded with careful play and eschewing all risks, to carry the total to 175. Then disaster befell Leicestershire, Palmer being out leg before to Mansell.

Thereafter the innings collapsed rapidly and although Diment for a while fought doggedly, he could find no one to stay with him. Eventually, five minutes before stumps were to be drawn, the County was all out for 208. A ten-minute interval being required between innings, no further play was possible this evening.

Once again the South Africans were outstanding in the field. Mansell and Mcglew were particularly in evidence, but it would be unfair to single out a select few in this superlative band of fielders.

In their present triumphant mood, high spirits, exhilaration and keenness, they must be rated as favourites for the Fifth Test which is being labelled here as for the unofficial Championship of the World.

THE SCORE BOARD

South Africa 1st innings 463 for six declared

Leicestershire 1st innings

Lester, c. Mansell, b. Adcock	29
M. Smith, c. Mcglew, b. Murray	36
M. Tomkins, lbw b. Adcock	6
C. Palmer, lbw b. Mansell	67
V. Jackson, c. Adcock, b. Tayfield	11
R. Diment, c. Winslow, b. Tayfield	31
V. Munden, c. Cheetham, b. Mansell	3
Walsh, c. Waite, b. Tayfield	1
Firth, c. Murray, b. Tayfield,	7
Goodwin, not out	0
Extras	12
Total	208

Fall of wickets: 1-46, 2-62, 3-81, 4-113, 5-175, 6-183, 7-180, 8-188, 9-206.

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Adcock	16	2	56	2
Goddard,	6	3	6	0
Murray	22	10	37	1
Tayfield,	39.1	21	56	5
Mansell	25	10	62	2

—France-Presse.

GORDON RICHARDS HAS HIS EYES ON THE PIGEON DERBY

By VERNON MORGAN

It seems almost customary these days for writers of an autobiography to finish with a confession and an ambition. Sir Gordon Richards, probably the most famous jockey of all time, has maintained the tradition.

In "My Story," published by Hodder and Stonghton, London, he confesses the secret of his great success as a rider—the jockey must have the will to win. And he discloses his ambitions—to win the Jackson Cup, the blue riband, for curling and to own a pigeon which wins the pigeon derby.

And as Richards still puts into practice the will to win, the only jockey who was ever knighted by his Queen may attain his ambitions in these other pastimes.

Life is what you make of it and when it comes to writing his life Sir Gordon does it as well as he used to ride.

His autobiography is almost a fairy story. It is the dream of a poor boy, the son of a miner, who made good.

From the few shillings he made as a lad looking after pit ponies, he later earned thousands riding the finest thoroughbreds in the world.

From a humble start riding horses for small owners he had the satisfaction of riding for royalty and winning for his King and his Queen.

Sir Gordon owed his success to his will to win, as the Aga Khan declared, and as Richards himself is not ashamed, indeed is proud, to admit.

WILL TO WIN

In his book he says: "The will to win. That was my secret. You have to have ability, of course. You have to have the gift of jockeyship. You have to be a horseman. You must learn pace and distance. You must be quick to see an opening. You must be alert at the gate. You must sense when your horse is doing his utmost and when he is not. You must never miss a trick. But all of these things are of no use to you without the will to win."

Richards rode losers, like all jockeys, and he sometimes made the punters mad. Indeed he was called all manner of things at times, the most popular being "bighead," a description which the little rider well knew. This was, however, more because of the fact that he had a big head on a small body, than of any suggestion that his head was swollen. But it was a fine sounding name to give a jockey whose mount had just run nowhere.

Yet, in their hearts, the same racegoers knew that it was not the little man's fault, or why then would they back his mounts for the remainder of the day and the next day and the day after.

They really knew well the famous saying of another great rider, the late Steve Donoghue, who, when beaten, used to declare "You cannot come without the 'oss."

GOT THE BEST

Indeed one of the main reasons for Richards' success and popularity was that he invariably got the best out of a horse. As he says in his book, one of his proudest moments was when Lord Rosebery, that great pillar of the British turf, said that of all jockeys in his long and wide experience Richards was the one who lost fewest races that he should have won.

One of the chief delights of the book is that it is so human. One can picture the cheerful wee rider animatedly telling this story to his friends round the fireside, rather than in hard print to a world public.

It might have been any father and son that walked to the station the day Richards left home. One can just imagine the pair on that cold New Year's Day in 1920 with young Richards, then only 15, off to become a racing apprentice in the south.

"It was rather a silent walk," says Richards. "We didn't say much. It was the first time that I had ever been away from home, and it had been a very happy home. It was also the start of a great adventure and my father and I both recognised the fact.

LOTS OF DREAMS

"Of course I had lots of dreams about the future. Maybe he had too. But dreams are pretty vague things to put against leaving home, perhaps for good, when the moment of parting comes. I think my father waved his hand as the train drew out of the station."

While Richards is critical of many persons and tells stories of difficulties he had during his racing career, he is always charitable and gives both sides very fairly. He likes to see the best side in everyone and comes to the aid of young Lester Piggott whom rumour always said was cheeky and unfriendly to the champion. He tells how false were these reports.

The book too is packed with the sort of things racegoers have always wanted to know — that Rustom Mahal was the fastest filly he rode and Sun Chariot the best. And that the horse that gave him his one and only Derby victory, Pinza, was the best colt he ever rode.

Richards provides plenty of anecdotes about his colourful career, telling his readers stories such as how he lost on the 20 to one on chance Glendower at Chepstow, to lose a faithful punter £20,000 sterling—and later how he cleaned up at the Casino in Ostend.

In the book is the reason why he did not ride much in France; how he was nearly killed in an aircraft accident; of his illness in 1944; and how he hated his first visit to his now beloved Switzerland: — China Mail Special.

Major Bowls Upset In Fourth Round; Former Champion Eliminated

In a major upset in the fourth round of the Lawn Bowls Open Singles Championship yesterday, F. R. Kermani (KCC) turned back Joe da Luz (Recreio) the 1948 Champion 21-18 on the 29th head, after taking a nine-shot lead before Luz started scoring.

In another exciting game, Joe's brother, Raoul also of Recreio, triumphed over C. R. Rosselet (CCC) 22-19 on 19 heads. It was anybody's game when the last head was rolled, with Luz leading by the narrow margin of 20-19.

M. B. Hasson (IRC) another former Champion had the better of W. Riley (KDC) and won 22-17 on 23 heads.

Kermani blanked Luz in the first six heads when he took a nine-shot lead. Luz began to score on the seventh head with a single which he repeated on the next head.

However Kermani stopped the "tide" by taking a single on the next turn. The scoring was slow and Luz did well to take two on the 12th head, with Kermani leading 11-5.

Luz further reduced the deficit as the game progressed and Kermani was only five shots up (16-11) on the 21st head. Kermani then tightened up his game and eventually edged out the former Champion 21-18 on the 29th head.

LUZ v. ROSSELET

In the Luz-Rosselet tussle, the Recreio player led 3-0 after the first two heads. Rosselet took a single on the next head but Luz scored a three on the fourth to lead 6-1.

Rosselet replied with a three on the fifth, but he failed to score again before the 14th head. By then Luz was leading 19-4.

Rosselet rallied with a three and for the next three heads added a further seven shots to his score. On the 14th head Luz was leading 19-12. Luz took a single on the next head, and at this point Rosselet rallied magnificently to add a further seven shots during the next three heads.

The score was 20-19 in favour of Luz on the 18th head, and the former champion made no mistake on the next turn when he scored a double to clinch the match.

M. B. Hasson had to go all out to overcome W. Riley who was leading all the way up to the 14th head with the score 12-11 in his favour.

Hasson levelled on the next head, took the lead at the 18th, and thereafter held the advantage until the end.

Open singles

F.R. Kermani beat J.A. da Luz 21-18; R. da Luz beat C.R. Rosselet 22-19; M.B. Hasson beat W. Riley 22-17; W. Hong Sling beat J. Kinniburgh 22-10; E.J. Liddell (KBGC) beat H. Phoenix (KCC) 21-15.

LEAGUE MATCH

In a postponed Second Division lawn bowls league match played yesterday U.S.R.C. beat C.C.C.

U.S.R.C. (4)		C.C.C. (1)	
R. Hastie		G. Santos	
J. Trolli		A. Ferreira	
GS. Goodyear		P.R. Ragi	
G.D.S. Agnew (Skip)	17	P.K. Lau (Skip)	21
A. Trolli		S.R. Solina	
R. Buckley		J. Fox	
R. Hart-Baker		T. Kelleher	
R.M. Hetherington (Skip)	[illegible]	R.O. Baker (Skip)	19
S.S. Flanders		W. Sousa	
R. Fletcher		J.T. King	
E.R. Read		E.R. Pavri	
G. Hill (Skip)	[illegible]	J. Leonard (Skip)	15
Totals	[illegible]		[illegible]

LADIES LEAGUE

United Services Recreation Club defeated the Craigengower Cricket Club "Green" in a Ladies League lawn bowls match on Wednesday August 10:

U.S.R.C.	C.C.C. "G".
Mrs Flanders	Mrs L. Hong Choy
Mrs Goodyear	Miss Cortes
Mrs Cross	Mrs J. Souza
Mrs Hetherington (Skip)	Mrs G. Rosselet (Skip)

South Korean Athletes Pass Through Colony

Fourteen members of the South Korean Armed Forces Athletic team who took part in the International Armed Forces Meet in Athens, Greece, passed through here from Bangkok by PAA yesterday on route to Tokyo. They left after an hour stopover at Kai Tak.

The leader Colonel Lee Jin-yong, said that "12 peace loving" countries took part in the Meet and he believed that Greece won the competition.

Sgt Suk Yung-joo of the Korean Air Force came first in the broad jump and another sergeant of the Air Force came second in the Hammer Throw event, Colonel Lee said.

He added that the Meet was very successful and lasted five days. The team left Korea on July 23.

At the airport to meet the athletes was Mr Younghun Hahn, Vice-Consul for the Republic of Korea.

THE GAMBOLS
by Barry Appleby
GEORGE! PEOPLE WILL THINK WE'RE ON OUR HONEYMOON
WELL, WHY NOT
A SECOND HONEYMOON! DARLING! WHAT A WONDERFUL IDEA!
I MUST BUY MYSELF A TROUSSEAU – GIVE ME SOME MONEY, DEAR
BUT THE BRIDEGROOM DOESN'T PAY FOR THE TROUSSEAU
DON'T BE SILLY, GEORGE, YOU'RE NOT A BRIDEGROOM – YOU'RE MY HUSBAND!

"TEN COMMANDMENTS" WILL COST $15,000,000 TO MAKE AND PROMOTE

By MAMIE CRICHTON

Every so often along comes a film of such wild and fantastic extravagance that it gives an aura of exotic recklessness and incredible abandon to a business which, on the whole, is conducted on much the same strict economic lines as most other businesses.

But the manufacture of, say, shirts or orangeade or wire ropes hardly gives scope for an occasional breath-taking phenomenon like "Gone With The Wind" or "Caesar and Cleopatra" of past years.

Round British studios lately the talk has been of the soaring costs and fabulous expenses invested in John Huston's "Moby Dick," with specially-constructed tanks, model ships and a model whale with built-in breathing apparatus to supplement the genuine location shots.

FABULOUS ENTERPRISE

But even that pales before the fabulous enterprise of Cecil B. DeMille in Hollywood — the re-make of "The Ten Commandments" in VistaVision.

I quote: "Total budget for the negative is estimated at 8,500,000 dollars, and this figure will be increased to about 15,000,000 dollars by costs of prints, advertising, distribution and promotion."

DeMille took his unit out to Egypt last October — to economise. There weren't enough extras in Hollywood to fill his screen picture of the Exodus.

BY THE TRIBE

In Egypt he hired them by the tribe, over 12,000 of them filmed on a mammoth set near Cairo. He also filmed 400 chariots driven at furious pace in pursuit of escaping slaves.

Back at the Paramount studios he started on interior work in March, and has just about reached the half-way mark.

I have gleaned bits from all the American movie people I've met this summer about this super-colossal epic.

"The Old Man," as everybody calls DeMille, seems to get all he wants. Starting dates for Paramount autumn films are only tentative, for the Old Man occupies all the stages—one opening on to another into the far distance.

And when that wasn't enough space for the parting of the Red Sea, DeMille coolly suggested they hire space from the company in the adjoining studio property and break down the wall between. It was done.

The parting of the Red Sea sequence alone will cost over a million dollars.

Still to be filmed are Moses at the Burning Bush, Moses receiving the Ten Commandments, the worship of the Golden Calf and bits of the Exodus.

ALWAYS A FORTUNE

Why does DeMille get such latitude? Maybe he has a big holding in Paramount. But more important, all his previous pictures have made fortunes for him and Paramount.

Will a film costing 15,000,000 dollars ever get its money back at a time when 12 or 13,000,000 dollars is just about the peak gross for a very few, very popular films from world-wide distribution?

"Pooh to that," says Paramount bravely. "We believe "The Ten Commandments" will earn 100,000,000 dollars *over a period of years.*"

And maybe they're going to prove not so wide of the mark. It may well turn out to be the kind of film that can be played and played again, re-issued after a suitable time has lapsed and go on reaping harvest. About a year from now it is expected to be ready for its premiere.

South Africa Have Shaken English Cricket As They Did Australia Two Years Ago

Says DENIS COMPTON

Give full praise to the South Africans for their magnificent victories at Old Trafford and Leeds, which have made the Fifth Test at The Oval into the "decider" for the rubber.

They have shaken up English cricket just as thoroughly as they did Australian cricket **two years ago.**

Jack McGlew, the sturdy little South African vice-captain, who has contributed so largely to his team's recovery, says that if the Springboks win at The Oval he will celebrate by putting on his "Pair Club" tie.

That will remind him of the Lord's Test, when he failed to score in either innings and England took a 2-0 lead in the series.

It will remind him too, of the uncertainties of cricket.

PRESIDENT-ELECT

By qualifying for membership in a Test match, Jackie has been made president-elect of the "Pair Club."

Membership is open to those dismissed withoht scoring in both innings in a first-class match — and the membership is now both large and distinguished!

Inscribed on the blue tie worn by all members are two little white ducks and the words "The Pair".

One thing certain about the Final Test is that South Africa's off-spinner Hugh Tayfield, should enjoy playing in it. On his last visit to The Oval he twice routed Surrey, taking 13 wickets in the match.

Certainly when bowling under the shadow of Kennington's gasholders he does not seem to need to kiss the Springbok on his cap-badge for luck each over, as he normally does.

Huge is in sight of two targets—his 100 wickets for the tour and his 100 wickets in Test cricket.

FINE CHANCE

That reminds me that my old friend and opponent, Reg Perks, of Wocerstershire, looks likely to take 100 wickets this summer for the 10th successive time.

If Reg does reach his 100, he will stand a fine chance of equalling the record of "Tich" Freeman, of Kent, who is the only man to have taken 100 wickets in each of 17 consecutive seasons.

Yet "Tich" was a slow bowler, and his was an uninterrupted sequence from 1920 to 1936 inclusive.

Reg is a fast bowler, and the war took six playing years away from him. But for those war years I am sure he would have played for England many more times than he did.

Referee Stops Fight To Save Johnny Sullivan

Liverpool, England, Aug. 11.

Archie Towne, 27-year-old coloured Middleweight boxer from New York shocked a packed stadium here tonight when he stopped former British and Empire Champion Johnny Sullivan in 43 seconds of an eight-round fight.

It was the first time Sullivan failed to go the distance and the first time he has ever been floored by a punch.

Towne sent Sullivan to the canvas three times with powerful lefts and rights to the chin and the referee stopped the fight to save the British boxer further punishment.

Sullivan was in tears in the dressing room afterward and could hardly appreciate that it was all over.

This was Towne's second fight in Britain. The other one also ended in the first round in the same ring last month when he stopped Willy Armstrong (Glasgow) in one minute 52 seconds.—Reuter.

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League Tennis

Indian Recreation Club beat Police Recreation Club by six matches to three in a postponed Men's C Division League Tennis match played off yesterday.

The results were:

I. Kitchell and S. E. M. Bux (IRC) beat A. R. S. Major and R. V. F. Turner 6-2, lost to W. M. Gillies and D. Brown 5-7, beat C. G. March and G. Bathgate 6-1.

S. A. K. Bux and Y. J. Khan (IRC) drew with Major and Turner 6-6, beat Gillies and Brown 7-5, drew with March and Bathgate 6-6.

N. Samy and S. M. Rumjahn (IRC) beat Major and Turner 6-4, lost to Gillies and Brown 3-6, beat March and Bathgate 6-0.

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BASEBALL RESULTS

New York, Aug. 11.

Major League baseball results were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Detroit	1	8	0
Cleveland	3	7	0

Hoeft (11-6) and Wilson; Wynn (14-7) and Hegan. HR—Evers (8th).

	R	H	E
Boston	3	8	0
New York	5	7	2
Chicago	14	16	2
Kansas City	1	6	1

Johnson (5-1) and Lollar, Moss (8); Raschi, Boyer (5) and Astroth. LP—Raschi (4-4). HR—Dropo (15th).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Cincinnati	6	11	2
Chicago	5	18	3

Black, Freeman (6), Klippstein (1) and Burgess; Perkowski, Hillman (4), Tremel (6), Pollet (9), Jeffcoat (18) and Chiti, Cooper (10). WP—Kliilstein (4-7). LP — Jeffcoat (8-6). HR—Banks (39th).

(1st game)

	R	H	E
St. Louis	7	8	2
Milwaukee	1	7	5

Hadolx (9-11) and Sarni; Nichols, Paine (8), Jolly (8) and Crandall. LP — Nichols (8-6).—United Press.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Athletics

Junior Open Athletic Meeting, King's Park, 5 p.m.

TOMORROW

Bowls

First Division: IRC 'B' v Recreio 'B'; CCC v IRC 'G'; PRC v FC; Recreio 'W' v KCC. Second Division: KCC v HKFC; TC v HKCC; CCC v PRC; KDC v USRC. Third Division: HKFC v KCC; USRC v HKERC; PRC v KDC; FC v KBGC.

Cricket

Fifth and final Test; England v South Africa.

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DAVIS CUP

Hopman Causes Mild Surprise By Picking Hoad

Philadelphia, Aug. 11.

Lew Hoad will make his appearance as Singles player for the Australian Davis Cup team tomorrow, in the first match of the Australia-Italy Inter-Zone Final at Philadelphia, team captain Harry Hopman announced tonight.

Hoad will meet Fausto Gardini in the first Singles and Ken Rosewall will play against Nicola Pietrangeli in the second match.

Hoad and Rex Hartwig will play the Doubles on Saturday against Pietrangeli and Orlando Sirola.

In the Inter-Zone Final between Australia and Japan, two weeks ago, Hoad only played in the Doubles and Hartwig took his place in the Singles alongside Rosewall.—France-Presse.

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CAA To Enter Three Teams In Softball League

Softball enthusiasts will be glad to know that the Chinese Athletic Association will be entering three teams in the coming season's softball league.

Contrary to speculation by certain parties that this club was incapable of fielding any teams Mr Mak Kwong, team manager stated affirmatively that CAA will be represented in the Men's Senior "A" Division, the Men's Junior Division and the Ladies' League.

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Hongkong Soccer Team Returns

Twenty-one members of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation Football team of Hongkong, who went to Singapore to compete for the "Ho Ho Cup" returned yesterday by CPA from Bangkok.

Mr C. K. Woo, the manager said that the team did well on their tour of Malaya and Bangkok. They played 18 games, winning 12, drew five and lost one.

The Cup was won by the Singapore footballers.

DAVID AND GOLIATH

This giant of a man holding boxing promoter Jack Solomons, and watched by Freddie Mills, the former World Champion, is Ewart Potgieter of South Africa, newly arrived in London, and the latest threat to the holder of the World's Heavyweight boxing crown. Ewart is 7ft. 2ins. tall and weighs 22 stone, and in 18 months fighting has had seven bouts, winning all by knockouts in the first or second round. — London Express Photo.

The Average Soccer Spectator Is A Long Suffering Fellow

Says ARCHIE QUICK

"It often strikes me that when considering the problems of football, the person whose opinion many of us are most in danger of ignoring is that much misunderstood individual, the spectator.

"In other walks of life the customer is said to be always right, but the man who pays a regular faithful visit each week to his local football ground must sometimes find it hard to avoid feeling that he is always in the wrong."

Who said that? None other than Sir Stanley Rous, Secretary of the Football Association. In similar vein he continues in the 1955-56 Football Association Year Book, "If 'gates' are good there are those who declare that he wastes too much time on passive entertainment.

If 'gates' are bad or his Club's fortunes are low, he equally gets blamed by others for his lack of support or for being a fair weather friend only.

If he shows sincere enthusiasm for his side he is threatened with the accusation that he is too partisan and of course he becomes hardened to being told by various authorities that he knows nothing and cares less for the Laws of the game.

Fortunately, the average soccer spectator is a long-suffering fellow, but I think that all of us who are responsible for running the game should frequently remind ourselves of his importance. As well as those of the players, it is the spectators' interests we set out to serve.

EUROVISION

"In both professional and amateur football, the spectator makes his presence or absence felt at the turnstile. The recent developments are likely though to increase his influence decisively in the very near future.

"One of these is what is becoming known as Eurovision, the TV system which brought last year's World Cup matches direct from Switzerland to peoples' homes; the other is the successful experiment carried out last season in transmitting live TV broadcasts of matches at Wembley to large-size screens in cinemas in different parts of the country.

Just imagine what these new techniques are going to mean. Football of the highest class both at home and abroad is now becoming available, not only to the fortunate possessors of tickets, but to the millions.

"Nevertheless, I have sufficient faith in the genuine character of the British public's love for the game to believe that support for the local teams will never be seriously lacking. Everything points to the fact that spectators are likely to expect increasingly higher standards of play and accommodation."

Sir Stanley might have added "or else they will stay at home in comfort." Seven million losing face in the last four seasons of soccer in the Football League alone proves that".

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Army Small Bore League

The following are the results of the 13th round of the Army Small Bore League.

11 Inf., W/S., 550 vs 8 Coy., R. A. S.C. 540.

Comd., W/S., 568 vs H.Q. 40 Div., 439.

40 Div., Prov., Coy. 562 vs H.K. Sigs. 573.

Northamptons "A" 560 vs North Staffs 565.

Northamptons "B" 545 vs 48 Gurkha Inf. Bde. 565.

42 Field 514 vs 14 Field 571.

6 C.O.D. 589 vs C.P.O. 550.

Brit., Ind., Prov., Coy. 528 vs H.K.C.T.U. 564.

7th Q.O. Hussars. 577 vs 2/7 Gurkha Rifles "B", 550.

Dist., W/S., "A". 578 vs 2/7 Gurkha Rifles "A", 570.

League Table

	S.	W.	D.	L.	Score	Pts.
6 C.O.D.	13	12	-	-	7596	26
7th Hussars.	13	11	-	-	7440	22
Dist., W/S., "A."	13	11	-	2	7330	22
14 Field	12	10	-	2	6853	20
Comd., W/S. R.E.M.E.	12	10	-	2	6836	20
2/7 Gurkha Rifles "A".	12	9	-	3	6707	18
H.K. Sigs.	13	8	-	5	7221	16
Dist., W/S., "B".	12	8	-	4	6756	16
Northamptons "A".	12	8	-	4	6725	16
H.K.C.T.U.	12	7	-	5	6654	14
40 Div. Prov. Coy.	12	5	-	7	6597	10
Northamptons "B".	12	5	-	7	6563	10
C.P.O.	12	5	-	7	6544	10
11 Inf., W/S.	12	5	-	7	6511	10
2/7 Gurkha Rifles "B"	12	4	-	8	6616	8
48 Gurkha Inf. Bde.	12	4	-	8	6406	8
North Staffs	13	2	-	11	6581	4
Brit. Ind. Prov. Coy.	13	2	-	11	6383	4
49 Field	12	2	-	10	5490	4
H.Q. R.A. 40 Div.	13	1	-	12	6180	[illegible]
8 Coy. R.A.S.C.	13	-	-	13	[illegible]	[illegible]

PANDAS WIN

Pandas defeated South China "B" 10-2 in a scrappy Summer League softball match at King's Park yesterday. Winning pitcher R. Chen received relief from Willie Woo. A. Owen was charged with the defeat.

CIVIL AID SERVICES ORDERS

No. 30. Orders by the Hon. C. E. Terry, OBE, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services of August 12, 1955.

Records — Change Of Telephone Numbers.—To enable records to be kept up to date, all members whose residential or business telephone numbers have been changed are required to report their new number to the Staff Officer.

Examination Results — General Duties.—The undermentioned attended an examination in General Duties on June 27, 1955 and qualified in that subject:

Central Zone. — Passed with distinction: 33631 Chow Sze-tong, 33632 Lee Chung-fat. Passed: 31027 Ho Wing-mui (Miss), 31635 Kwong King-bing, 32380 Cheung Ki-sek, 32410 Ho Wai-puen, 32658 Leung Ka-shuen, 32829 Yeung Po-chuen, 32907 Miu Fung-kee (Mrs), 33008 Wong Tuen-yui, 33106 Tsui Koy-cheung, 33247 To Cho-wai.

Eastern Zone. — Passed with distinction: 3[illegible] Pang Hock-chiu, 3[illegible] Wu Chi-dip (Miss), 3[illegible] Sun Kat-kin, 3[illegible] Yue So-mae (Miss). Passed: 30[illegible] Pun Yiu-kwan, 3[illegible] Au Yeung-chung, 30[illegible] Sin Cho-wah, 30[illegible] Pun King-cheung, 30605 So Kin-fan, 30755 Dang So, 30773 Fok Man-kui, 30[illegible] S. H. Salien, 31420 Ng Kwok-kuen, 31610 Chiu Kwan, 31700 Tsang Kuen, 32081 Yu Bun-tong, 32[illegible] So Sum-cheung, 32[illegible] Leung Kwok-chu, 32[illegible] Fan Hin-kwong, 32[illegible] Lai Chu-pong, 32[illegible] Wong Kwok-lai, 32741 Luk Siu-yam, 32[illegible] Yau Sik-on, 32[illegible] Cheung Bing-lam, 32[illegible] Pang Yiu-ming, 32850 Sun Kit-fong (Miss), 32863 Foo Mei-yung (Miss), 32868 Yau Chi-wan (Miss), 32944 Lo Yiu-pui, 32960 Tuet Che-yin, 3297[illegible] Chan Fai, 32980 Liu Chung-ming, 33004 Lau Sai-ming, 33010 Lee Kam-fai, 33050 Tang Chi-kwong, 3305[illegible] Chan Hon-fai, 33061 Chan Yiu-cheong, 33069 Sun Kan-chuen, 33072 To Man-chiu, 33077 Tse Wai-man, 33079 Lee Hong-yip, 33085 Tsoi Shiu-kan, L., 33097 Tang Kin-hung, T., 33110 Yue Siu-kit, 33133 Chan Kit-fong (Miss), 33137 Fan Kang-Poar, 33134 Chan Shek-wing, 3314[illegible] Chan Shiu-kwan, 33190 Leung Woon-ming, 33194 Leung Hai-ling, 33196 Lee King-hing, 33199 Ma Hon-keung, 33205 Cheng Chin-Man, 33262 Tang Wai-bun, 33260 Kwong Che-hung, 33265 Chan Chung-kee, 33270 Chun Kwong-yu, 33309 Wong Ting-chee, 33322 Choi Wai, 33348 Tang Wai-lim, 33370 Chau Tai-chi, 3337[illegible] Hui Kwong-hai, 33378 Lau Wing-cheung, 33379 Lau Shing-wai, 33381 Lau Wing-hin, 33384 Li Chi, 33385 Sung Shing-mou, 33388 Wong Man-tak, T., 33391 Tso Tse-kam, 33491 Hui Man-pun, 33493 Lau Chung-kwan, 33485 Lam Koo, 33506 Hui Yick-fat, 33508 Lee Wing-sheung, 33511 Tai Koun-ying, 33541 Chan Kai-lam, 33543 Chung Man, 33613 Tse Cho-wei, 33617 Yeung Hin-tung, 33641 Lee Wing-hon, 33686 Man Kwok-hong, 33694 Tsang Man-hung, 33703 Chan Wing-cheung, 33723 Wong Pui-yue, 33728 Chan Shing-ming, 33737 Cheung Man, 33740 Kwan Foon, 33782 Cheung Hin-bor, 33800 Tse Siu-hong, 33809 Wai Chak-lau, 33810 Wong Chi, 33814 Wong Sun, 33819 Ho Yuk-lam, 33840 Chan Lai-laan L. (Miss), 33885 Cheung Pun-chung, 33927 Chan Che-ming, 33930 Chan Yuk-lin (Miss), 33945 Mok Hei-chi, 33948 Yeung Kwok-chu, 33952 Cheung Pun-kim, 33964 Cheung Lai-mei (Miss), 34002 Cheung Siu-chi, 34016 Mok Shu-wing, 34017 Cheung Shau-fong, 34033 Au-yeung Kai-chau 34049 Chan Ping-cheuk, 34063 Lee Yick-cheung.

Western Zone. — Passed: 30936 Cheung Kown-wy, 31101 Leung Ping-kan, 31061 Ho Sik-hung, 31673 Law Chick-tin, 31674 Lee Kwan-hung, 32187 Chan Pak-ying, 32194 Lam Chui-bing (Miss), 32216 Tang Fei-wan, 32303 Lee Chi-ming, 32490 Li Sik-kin, 32510 Chung Kei-sing, 32731 Fung Kit-ying (Miss), 32820 Cheung Chu-ying, 32850 Yu Kam-hung, 33140 Ching Kwok-leung, 33142 Tang Wei-hung, 33146 Chan Chou-sang, 33147 Jung Wing-fan (Miss), 33148 Jung Wing-han (Miss), 33150 Lam Hong-loong, 33155 Yip Chek-nam, 33156 Lam Chun-wah, 33169 Chan Yun-kuen, 33215 Soo Ching-por, 33240 Ng Shiu-man, 33290 Lo Wai-lim, 33358 Ng Moo-ching (Miss), 33396 Ng Kui-chuen, 33401 Yu Hok-ling, 33450 Chan Sea-luck, 33502 Wong Siu-siu, 33606 Lau Nam-kaw, 33607 Li Yee-kan, 33611 Ng Kwok-ying, 33619 Wong Hei, 33623 Chan Ching-kai, 33637 Chan Chik, 33638 Chan Man-tung, 33660 Chan Bon-sum, 33662 Cheung Shu-chung, 33664 Foo Wing-kan, 33667 Chung Yun-kuen, 33668 Fong Kai-wing, 33669 Ho To-bill, 33673 Ho Lam, 33677 Leung Chak-shing, 33685 Loo Yau-kun, 33688 Leung Wing-chiu, 33691 Ng Yuk-ming, 33692 Siu Bing-kai, 33726 Chan Tai-lun, 33739 Ho Keung, 33742 Lam Wah-kai, 33751 Lok Pui-hung, 33764 Chan Siu-chung, 33775 Lau Kai-pak, 33832 Wong Ying-kee, 33834 Yeung Yu-on, 33868 Tong Chi-chan, 33870 Tam Luen-shang, 33874 Tse Chun-yuet.

Upper Levels Zone.— Passed with distinction: 32782 Ip Hung-ho. Passed: 30490 Lam Kwok-kam, 30680 Cheung Tong, 31035 Chan Chin-man, 31272 Chan Shiu-fun, 31825 Tseung Ying-chiu, 32028 Fung Yiu-keung, 32120 Chan Keok-keung, 32496 Ling Sek, 32497 Liu Chue-tin, 32514 Yu Kit-chiu, 32543 Leung Sze-ming, 32544 Luk Man-lok, 32588 Mak Ping-kwan, 32590 Ho Kwong-yiu, 32602 Ho Kwok-yu, 32824 Mok Fook-choe, 32858 Wong Juk-nin, 32930 Robert Chan, 33083 Ip Ching, 33084 Fok Man-kwong, 33094 Seu Ki-ching, R., 33222 Chau Lai-kai, 33234 Li Yiu-hung, 33245 Ng Ying-chung, 33408 Chan Hon-kwong, 33410 Ng Kwok-chue, 33412 Sze Chin-man, 33435 A. G. Rafeek, 33540 Chung Yu-po, 33767 Cecilia Choa (Miss).

Bay View Zone. — Passed: 30650 Wong Shiu-ming, 30710 Tong Tin-fu, 31792 Wong Tin-chung, 32085 Yung Koon-yuen, 32103 Tsoi Wing-cheung, 32007 Ng Kwong-yuen, 33081 Ho Kwok-shuen, 33178 Chui Chi-cheung, 33192 Yu Yick-yung, 33262 Yue Chin-chai, 33321 Chung Lau, 33363 Ho King-lun, 33464 Lam Po-chu (Miss), 33578 Chan Chung-ching, 33730 Ho Shing J.C.

Shaukiwan Zone. — Passed with distinction: 30945 Lee Wing-yim, 32707 Cheung Yick-yum, 32708 Yim Fong, 32860 Yu Sit-hing (Miss) 32864 Lai Hing-biu, 32866 Leung Wai, 32931 Fan Wah-lai, 32932 Tse Shum, 32978 Woo Bing-kwong, 33113 Tsui Kwong-lam, 33341 Tang Man-lit, 33490 Lo Lai-kew (Miss), 33508 Lo Kam-chuen, 33509 Lau Wai-pong (Miss), 33512 Shiu Jui-man, 33521 Yu Won-sin (Miss), 33528 Wong Pak-hung, 33549 Leung Yuk-yau, 33606 Leung Yuk-yee, 33616 Tsui Hing-kwan (Miss), 33704 Chow Sum, 33709 Ho Kai-cheung, 33715 Shek Sup-ng, 33770 Kong Kai, 33771 Lau Choi, 33774 Hui Kwok-on, 33776 Lam Shu-chiu, 33777 Ng Shiu-kuen, 33788 Lui Ye, R., 33790 Chan Sui-hung, 33794 Wan Ping-lam, 33795 Wong Bun-kuen, 33808 Chan Hon-cheung, 33931 Cheng Miu-king (Miss), 33932 Chu Lai-chen (Miss). Passed: 31108 Wong Kui-chow, 32274 Tam Yuen-chi, 32831 Mok Ka-shing, 33489 Chang Wai, 33498 Cheung Wing-fan (Miss), 33499 Lau Kwok-kee, 33504 Lee Fook, 33513 Tam Sang, 33516 Tse Leung, 33517 Tse Yee-tin, 33520 Wong So, 33566 Chan Chee-luen, 33609 Leung Hang, 33706 Lee Chong, 33713 Wong Cheung-hing, 33721 Ma Wing-hung, 33772 Lam Fui-kwan, 33779 Cheng Hing-chun, 33780 Leung Ping-ken, 33788 Ng Kuen, 33789 Chiu Man-kwong, 33790 Wong So.

Stanley Zone.—Passed: 33329 Chan Siu-ki, 33069 Wat Mo-ki.

Aberdeen Zone.—Passed: 31144 Lee Kam-wing, 31[illegible] Chan Cheung, 31297 Chan Shu-yuen, 31[illegible] Ngai Tak-hoo, 3[illegible] Chan Chuk-man, 33736 Lee Choi-hung, 32755 Ko Leung, 33804 Lam King-cheung, 32946 Lai Man-woon, 33174 Chang Tze-leung, 33766 Chan Hung-pun, 33949 Chan Chuen-in (Miss), 33068 Chan Shui-chow.

Tsimshatsui Zone. — Passed: 30917 Fu Wing-hoi, 32047 Ho Sai-chuen, 32034 Mak Ting-wai, 32036 Wong Ka-kuen, 33258 Yu Yew-kwan, 33337 Ng Sheung-mo, 33432 Law Chun-hung, 33433 Lin Kar-hap, 33584 Tang Wing-kwong, 33792 Sin Hing-moon.

Hunghom Zone.—Passed with distinction: 32880 Tseng Tak-ling (Miss). Passed: 31740 Lau Wah, 32450 Tong Cheung-sing, 32452 Leung Wai-bun, 32454 Tsang Kwong-chuen, 32660 Yuen Lun-shan, 32670 Kwok Ming-yin, 32891 Chan Tat-ming, 32892 Wong Hyen-tsin, 32893 Lee Nai-wong, 32894 Wong Wai-sum, 32895 Mak Sai-him, 32027 Chan Koon-wo, 32071 Chan Kwai-wing, 32975 Yan Chung-fat, 33439 Heung Wing-hong, 33442 Fung Cheuk-kwan, 33450 Tong Wai-chou, 33459 Tong Shui-hung, 33461 Yuen Kwok-wai, 33597 Chow Chun-yin, 33624 Chan Chow-hing, 33665 Hui Pui, 33681 Lee Bing, 33682 Leung Tat-kui, 33702 Yang Ding-cheung, 33717 Wong Kai-tung, 33763 Lee Pui-toa (Miss), 33905 Yeung Shui-on, 34009 Fung Sau.

Yaumati Zone. — Passed: 31702 Yeung Chung-wai, 32449 Tsang So, 32718 Ma Chun-ming, 32780 Chau Shiu-kuen, 32845 Kan Yuen-kwan, 32873 Poon Yee-wo, 32874 Loong Kwong-hing, 32875 Chan Kui-bor, 32878 Lau Jan-chung, 32881 Wong Wai-ling, 32933 Tong Chee-hung, 33019 Choi Kam-wah, 33026 Wong Kam-yuen, 33033 Yip Chi-wah, 33045 Mak Chai-man, 33123 Tong Bor, 33127 Wong Kwong-chuen, 33175 Cheung Fook-fai, 33232 Kwok Ying-tong, 33325 Lam Shum-min, 33400 Cheung Pui-chuen, 33402 Lam Shu-fun, 33404 Lau Sai-chee, 33405 Lau Sai-shai, 33466 Lo Yiu-wing, 33524 Yun Kam-pen, 33600 Lau Kwok-chu, 33667 Tai Fai-loong, 33670 Ho King-sang, 33684 Leung Let-sang, 33700 Woo Kum-lun, 33812 Chan Yu, 33824 Lee Choi-ping (Miss), 33825 Chan Tak-kan, 33826 Luk Yan.

Mongkok Zone.—Passed with distinction: 33836 Wong Shuit-chi. Passed: 33000 Pang Sau-hung, 33003 Chung Kam-chuen, 33006 Wong Jock-ching, 33035 Lai Fan, 33036 Choi Shu-lo, 33037 Au Kam-chuen, 33038 Ho Wan-fong (Miss), 33039 Lo Chiu-wan, 33040 Lo Shiu-ying (Miss), 33041 Ma Ka-kui, 33042 Au Chun-wah, 33044 Lo Wai-pang, 33047 Lee Hoi, 33048 Chow Hung, 33064 Wong Ping-lun, 33066 Liu Kam-chuen, 33074 Yeung Kwong-kune, 33120 Lee Fu-wah, 33126 Ip Shing-kwai, 33182 Lai Hon-sum, 33242 Ma Ki-wan, 33281 Leung Wah-ken, 33285 Li Shiu-tong, 33298 Sin Woon-yu, 33344 Tang Shiu-hang, 33503 Lee Pak-yiu, 33561 Au Kwong-hung, 33563 Chan Sik-ming, 33569 Siu Hung-ming, 33572 Leung Sui-man, 33674 Tsui Wai-cheung, 33644 Leung Fong, 33651 Ma Pak-chi, 33734 Lim Sheung-fat, 33786 Ng Chow-lam, 33831 Wan Yuet-king (Miss), 33833 Tam Wan-lai (Miss), 33835 Yuen Wing-hay, 33849 Lau Huen-fai, 33902 Tong Kwan-yip, 33015 Lau Chon-Moon, 33900 Cheung Wing-tat.

Kowloon City Zone.—Passed: 32007 Pun Siu-lung, 32081 Yeung Kam-kin, 33060 Tsang Kai-chuen, 33095 Wong Shiu-yung (Mrs), 33006 Wong Kam-lung, 33090 Tam Sai-cheong, 33210 Fung Ka-huen, 33261 Yeung Yuk-chi, 33360 Li Kwong, 33373 Mak Kwong-cheong, 33402 Ho Wing-chung, 33537 Liu Nai-man, 33063 Yung Hoi-tsun, 33076 Kwok Shum.

Shamshuipo Zone. — Passed: 31450 Luk Kwei-wah, 31953 Luk Sai-chung, 32037 Tse Che-keung, 32067 Wong Yin-ling, 32800 Woo Wai-yee, 32960 Yip Tak-chi, 33005 Ko Kai-sun, 33025 Wong Man, 33102 Chu Shu-chuen, 33213 Yee Yau, 33228 Ho Kang-bor, 33263 To Sze-lee, 33269 Chung Sun, 33267 Lui Keung, 33312 Chan Wai-pang, 33317 Chung Kam-tim, 33330 Choi Siu-wing, 33331 Lo Kuen, 33347 Tang Ting-chan, 33349 Tsang Hing-kam, 33430 Shing Wai-chung, 33441 Lo Suet-mui (Miss), 33444 Wong Park-ling, 33445 Wong Wah-yiu, 33598 Lee Wor-tat.

C.A.S. Pay Section — Full Day Training.—Full day training will take place on Sunday, September 4 and Sunday, September 11, 1955. Place of Parade—C.A.S. Headquarters. Time of Parade—0900 to 1700 hours.

Pay Parades.—Pay Parades for the undermentioned units will be held as stated below. Personnel concerned will report to the Paymaster at the Pay Office, C.A.S. Headquarters, between 1730 and 1900 on these days. Payments will not be made unless C.A.S. Identity Cards are produced.

20.8.55 (Friday) — Rescue Service and Transport Section.

29.8.55 (Monday)—Shaukiwan Zone and Hunghom Zone.

31.8.55 (Wednesday)—Eastern Zone and Stanley Zone.

2.9.55 (Friday)—Western Zone and Central Zone.

5.9.55 (Monday) — Upper Levels Zone and Aberdeen Zone.

7.9.55 (Wednesday)—Despatch Service.

9.9.55 (Friday) — Bay View Zone and Tsimshatsui Zone.

12.9.55 (Monday) — Yaumati Zone and Hongkong Command Post.

14.9.55 (Wednesday) — Shamshuipo Zone and Kowloon Command Post.

16.9.55 (Friday) — Communication Unit and Mongkok Zone.

Parade Attendance Registers.—Attendance Registers for August, 1955, will be forwarded to the Paymaster at C.A.S. Headquarters by September 1, 1955.

G. T. Rowe,
Chief Staff Officer,
Civil Aid Services.
12.8.55.

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THE ADVERTISER Box 117 wishes to sincerely thank all those who volunteered their services. A roster has now been arranged and should any further assistance be needed, the advertiser will communicate individually.

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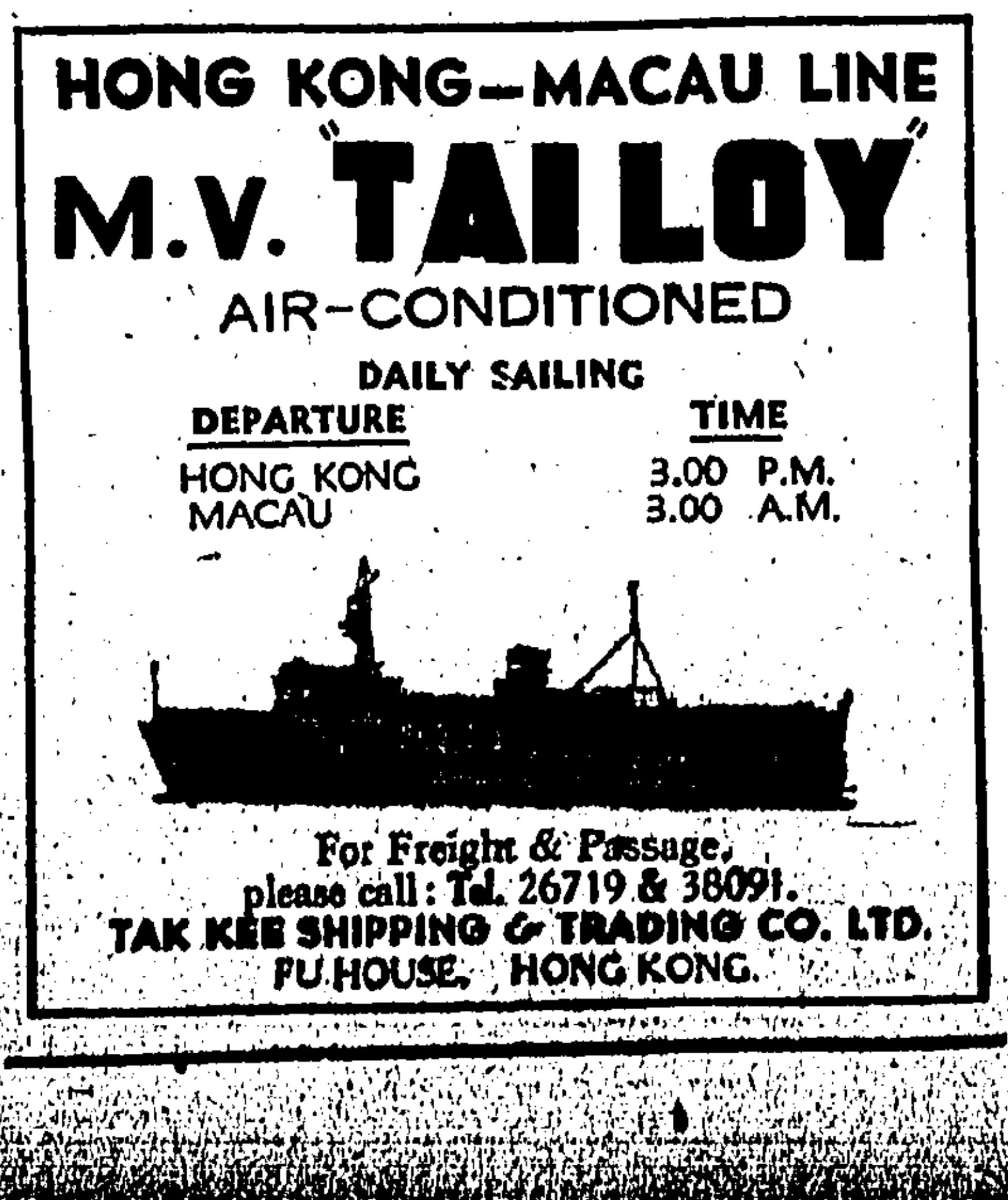
Applications for Dividend Warrants should be made either personally or by letter to the Registered Office of the Company, P. & O. Building, 4th Floor.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 26th day of August 1955 to the 8th day of September 1955, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. H. FELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th Aug., 1955.



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FRENCH PROSPECTORS GET AIRLIFT OVER THE SAHARA

Paris, Aug. 11.

Giant French cargo aircraft are maintaining a ceaseless airlift across the Sahara this summer to deliver jeeps, bulldozers and oil derricks to French prospectors before winter rains make the runways of the sunbaked oasis unserviceable.

Some 1,500 young technicians have flown from schools and factories in France to the remote southern territories of Algeria, armed with picks and Geiger counters.

They believe that they can turn the Algerian Sahara, half as large again as France, into another Texas, Ruhr or Urals before the end of this century. Industrialists and government departments are spending 30,000 million francs this year to help the prospectors to prove it.

Within two years, France hopes to have 20 oil wells operating in the southern territories. Seven wells, grouped round the In-Salah oasis, are considered very promising.

Promising

The area under survey stretches from Laghouat Oasis in the north to Tamanrasset in the mid-Sahara, near the frontier of French West Africa. From Paris to Tamanrasset by air is 2,000 miles. The Algerian railway stops on the edge of the desert, near the oasis of Colomb-Bechar.

It has long been known that the shifting sands of the Sahara in Algeria cover a wealth of minerals; iron, zinc, lead, mercury, copper, antimony, kaolin, marble, onyx, salt and coal. But in the half century since Marshal Lyautey completed the subjugation of Algeria, most commercial and industrial activity has been limited to the fertile and thickly populated Algerian seaboard.

Algeria's deep south was left to its ancient ways — the immemorial commerce of Arab with Negro, and the exploits of white men in search of adventure.

Now, a younger generation of technicians, equipped with freight-carrying aircraft and helicopters and helped by a comprehensive aerial survey and substantial state and private funds, intends to change all that.

A North African expert, M. Erik Labonne, is directing from his headquarters in Paris a far reaching scheme for the industrialisation of the French Union, in which the Sahara has priority. M. Gaston Palewski, a Minister without portfolio in the government of M. Edgar Faure, is responsible for speeding up research and development in French Africa.

Added Speed

Recent developments in French aviation are adding to the speed with which the territory is being opened up. The Breguet and Hurel-Dubois companies have provided transport aircraft capable of working from small improvised airfields and of carrying huge loads economically over thousands of miles.

One reason for the haste with which France is exploring her most desolate possession is the prospect of finding uranium and cobalt. Government geologists are forbidden by the official secrets act to talk about their finds, but it is known that small quantities of radioactive minerals have been discovered in south Algeria.

The political and economic effects of large finds in the atomic field on France's future would be incalculable.

Further reason for French haste is the knowledge that the native population of French Africa is increasing by 25 per cent every ten years and that each year sees 40,000 more hectares (100,000 acres) of land reduced to desert.

Industrialisation of the Sahara, starting at the edge of the great oases, would speed up irrigation projects, which in turn would increase the food supplies of French Africa.

Geologists are studying ways of tapping the water supply which they know exists in a great underground lake far below the surface of the desert.

Coal Producing

The Sahara's first industrial city will be Colomb-Bechar, a coal-producing area near the Moroccan border. The French Government has allotted 17,000 million francs (about £17 million) for the industrial development of this town. In a few years, the population of Colomb-Bechar now 25,000 is expected to reach 100,000.—China Mail Special.

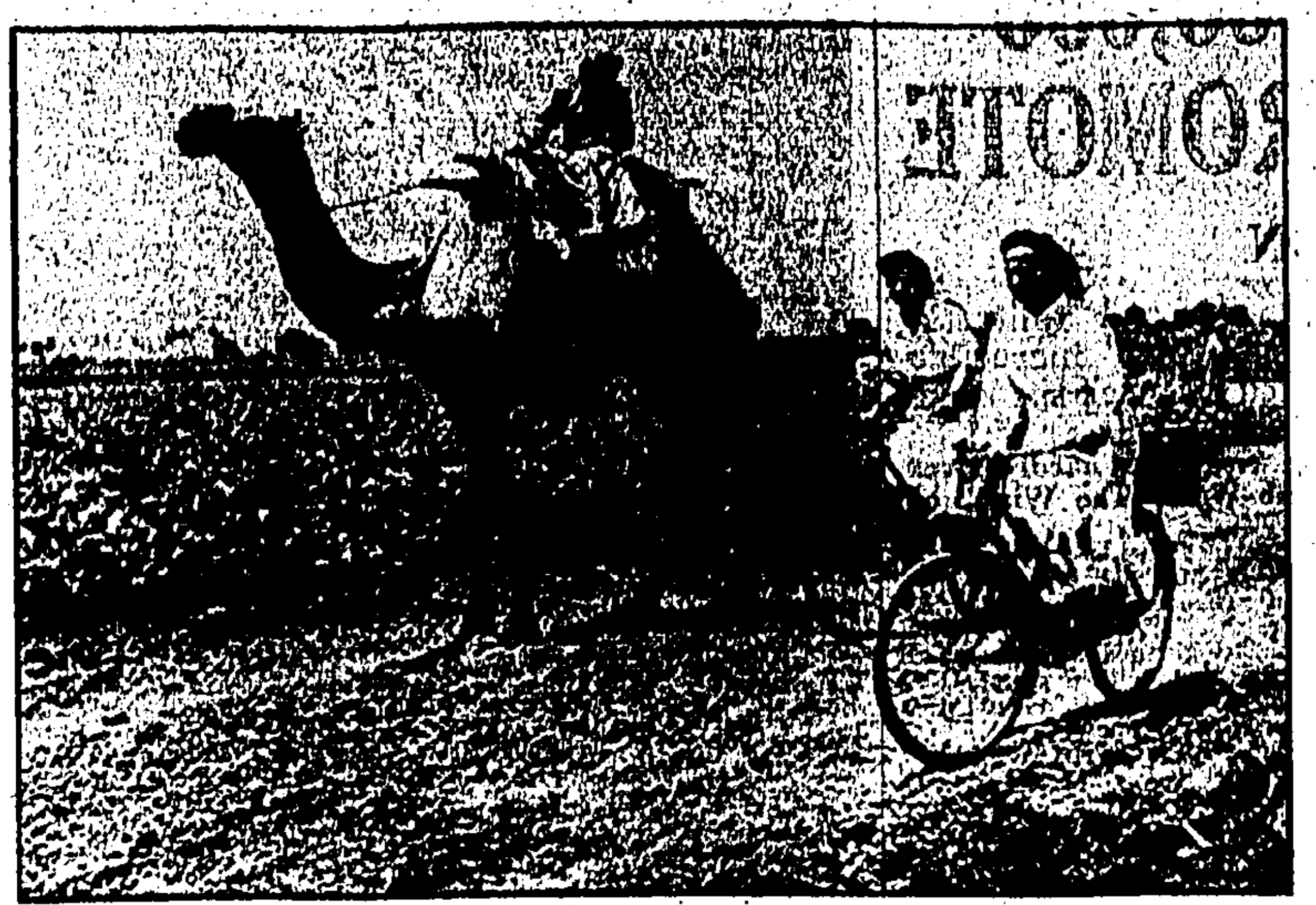
TURCO-IRAQI CO-OPERATION

Bagdad, Aug. 11.

Said Qazaz, Iraq Minister of the Interior, left today for Ankara to negotiate an agreement under which Turkey would join Iraq in campaigning against Communist infiltration activities.

He is also seeking to establish full co-operation for maintaining order and security along the Turco-Iraqi borders.—Reuter.

Camel Snubs Bicycles



Nurses in Egypt emphatically refuse to ride camels or donkeys. They are mostly city girls and have ridden bicycles since they went to school. Little by little the peasants have come to accept that the bicycle is something that goes with nurses in the country. Picture shows:—This is how a camel snubs a bicycle. Two of the Government nurses ride along a camel-track that serves as a road to a country village. The girl on the camel looks half shocked, half envious.—United Press.

Faure's Visit To Russia Welcomed

London, Aug. 11.

The forthcoming visit to Russia by France's Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary, M. Edgar Faure and M. Antoine Pinay, has great importance for the future easing of international tension, Moscow Radio said today.

The broadcast said it was an important step in strengthening friendship between the peoples of the two countries and "the importance of the positive results of the Geneva conference of heads of governments has been to establish personal contacts between those heads and thus to create an atmosphere of businesslike co-operation," it added.—Reuter.

Famous Song Writer Dies

Stamford, Conn., Aug. 11.

Andrew Sterling, writer of hundreds of popular songs, died today in hospital aged 80.

He had been an invalid since he suffered a fractured hip two years ago.

Among his songs were "Wait Till the Sun Shines Nellie" "Meet Me in St Louis" and "Down Where the Swanee River Flows." — China Mail Special.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 12
By Air
Formosa, 6 p.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Philippines, 6 p.m.
Korea, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13
By Air
Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand & Ceylon, Noon.
Philippines, 2 p.m.
Indo-China, France, 2 p.m.
Philippines, N. Borneo, 6 p.m.
Japan, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Okinawa, Korea, 6 p.m.

Bayreuth Festival

NEAR CAPACITY PERFORMANCES

Bonn, Aug. 11.

The annual Richard Wagner festival, one of the great international annual musical events, which is now under way at Bayreuth, promises to be one of the most successful ever staged in this small Bavarian town.

A performance of "The Flying Dutchman" on July 22 began the festival, which ends on August 21 after 25 presentations of seven operas. In addition to "The Flying Dutchman," the festival will include "Tannhauser," "Parsifal," and the four which make up the "Ring" cycle—"Rheingold," "Die Walkure," "Siegfried" and "Gotterdammerung."

It was Richard Wagner, originator of the new-style opera known as "musical drama," in which the music and action are uninterrupted instead of being divided up into arias and recitative, who also had the idea of staging a special series of musical productions in a relatively out-of-the-way place and advertising them as a "festival."

He and his wife, Cosima, daughter of Liszt, organised the first festival at Bayreuth, where they lived, in 1876. Other festivals have since sprung up elsewhere, notably at Salzburg and later Edinburgh. But Bayreuth retains many unique features.

ONE THING

For one thing, it is entirely devoted to the works of Wagner, with the emphasis on the "Ring" series which is performed every year.

Again, throughout its history, the festival has been under the direction of members of the maestro's family. On Wagner's death in 1883, it was taken over by his widow, who handed over to their son, Siegfried, in 1909. When Siegfried Wagner died in 1930, his English-born wife, Winifred, ran the festival until World War II.

Since its resumption in 1951 it has been under the direction of the two sons of Siegfried and Winifred, Wolfgang Wagner and Wieland Wagner.

Visitors to the Bayreuth festival since the war have been impressed—and, often, surprised — by the uncompromisingly modern stage settings by Wieland Wagner. For Wieland has scrapped the traditional Wagnerian decors. No longer do bearded heroes posture among the Victorian idea of Germanic bric-a-bac. The heroes are clean-shaven, and the stage is bare, abstract and contemporary.

Many of Wagner's more conservative admirers have been rather reserved in their acceptance of these alternations. But Wieland himself argues that times have changed and that had his grandfather been alive today, he would have approved.

Critics all over the world agree that the new settings show remarkable talent and that the quality of the productions since the war is as high as ever. The polyglot brochure for this year's festival can quote enthusiastic praise in seven languages — German, English, French, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish and Dutch.

Certainly the Festival is as popular as ever, both in Germany and abroad. More applications have been received for seats this year than ever before, and both "Ring" series have been completely sold out though a few odd seats remain for some of the other operas.

Nor are the seats cheap. The lowest price is 25 marks (over £2 sterling), so that to see the whole of the "Ring" it cannot cost less than 100 marks (£8, 6s.).

AT A LOSS

But even when the theatre, as usually happens, is packed night after night to its capacity of 2,000 people, the festival must run at a loss. Staging a Wagner opera, with its dozen or more top-line singers and its symphony-size orchestra, is an expensive business, and the Festival depends on the 500,000 marks (about £41,700 sterling) which it receives each year in subsidies from the German Federal Government and the Government of Bavaria, as well as gifts from private sources.

A feature of this year's Festival has been the international character of the bookings. Only about half the estimated 45,000 visitors will have come from Germany. Britain heads the list of other countries, followed by the United States, while opera fans will flock here from France, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, Spain, Portugal and South America.

The Iron Curtain is no barrier to Wagner fans. There have been several bookings from Eastern Europe, especially Czechoslovakia and Hungary. Other visitors will come from Egypt, the Middle East, and as far away as India and Japan.

Several artists, too, are coming from abroad, including Ramon Vinay and Astrid Varnay from New York, and Gre Brouwenstijn from Amsterdam.—China Mail Special.

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Korean Priests Agree At Last

Seoul, Aug. 11.

The 15-month-old dispute between married and single priests of South Korea reached a settlement today, when a combined committee of both sides voted to give control of Korean Buddhism to single monks and nuns.

The vote was seven to one in favour of celibate priests with one abstention.

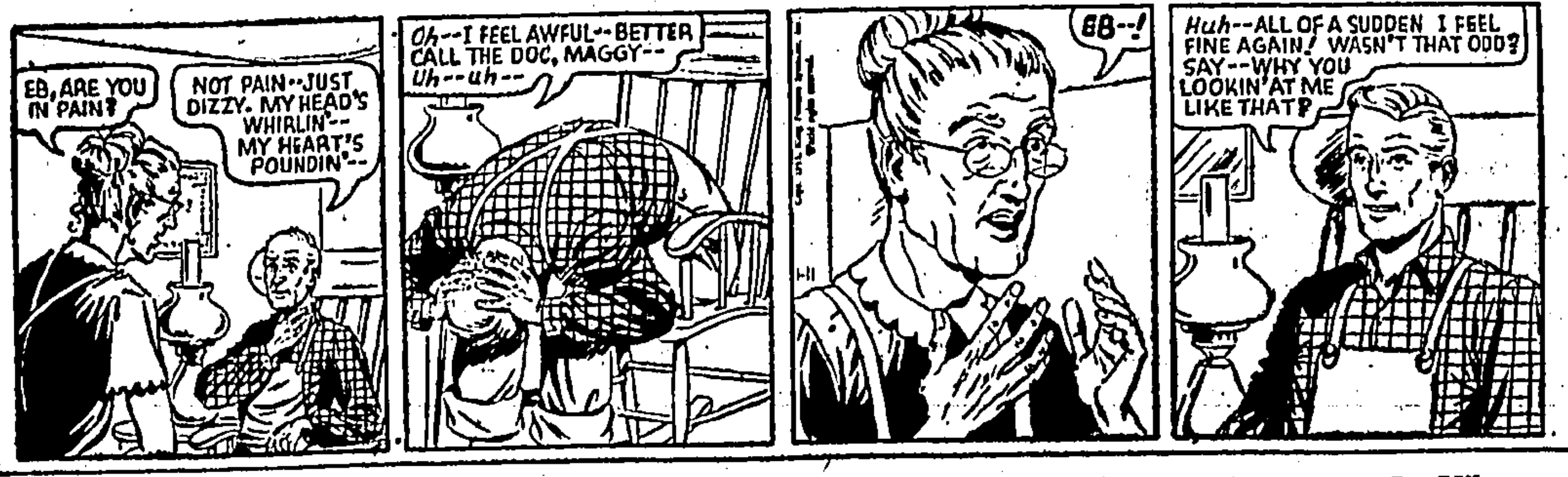
Four representatives from the married and five representatives from the single priests took part in the voting today.

Education Minister Lee Sun Kun said tonight that the Government regarded today's voting as having legal validity.

Married priests are scheduled to hold a mass meeting here tomorrow to mark their victory in the long dispute which saw bloodshed and mass hunger strikes by single priests seeking Government support. — China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



EB, ARE YOU IN PAIN?
NOT PAIN--JUST DIZZY. MY HEAD'S WHIRLIN'--MY HEART'S POUNDIN'--
Oh--I FEEL AWFUL--BETTER CALL THE DOC, MAGGY-- Uh--uh--
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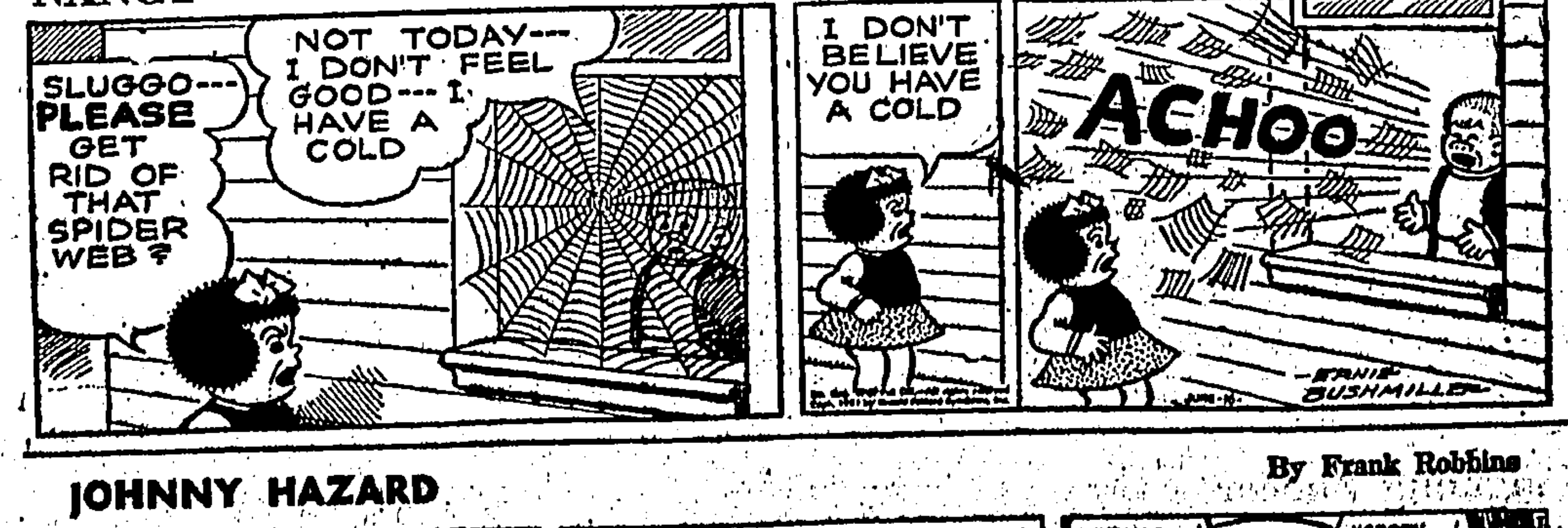

SLUGGO--- PLEASE GET RID OF THAT SPIDER WEB?
NOT TODAY--- I DON'T FEEL GOOD--- I HAVE A COLD
I DON'T BELIEVE YOU HAVE A COLD
ACHOO
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By Frank Robbins

ALL MORNING, ALL AFTERNOON, THE GENERAL CONTINUES HIS SEARCH FOR SHARI, SNAP AND JOHNNY...
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NOTHING...!
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NOBODY...!

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RECOVERY-THEN NEW DECLINE

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

Owing to bad radio reception this morning the comment on the New York Stock Exchange was not received.

CLOSING PRICES

Allied Chemicals	$106¼
Allis Chalmers	70¾
American Airline	25⅜
Am. Mach. & F'dry.	28⅜
American Metal	58⅝
American Smelting	53¾
Am. Sugar Ref.	70
American Tel & Tel	183⅝
American Tob. "B"	73⅞
Anaconda Copper	74⅛
Armco Steel	41½
Armour	14¾
Baltimore & Ohio	50⅞
Benguet Cons.	1⅝
Bethlehem Steel	145⅞
Canadian Pacific R.	33½
Cat. Tractor	60
Celanese Corp.	24
Chrysler Motors	83½
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	54
Commercial Credit	50⅛
Commonwealth Elec.	43¾
Consolidated Edison	50¾
Corn Products	28¼
Crown Zellerbach	78⅜
Cuban Amer. Sugar	14⅞
Curtis Wright	19⅞
Diamond Alkali	40⅞
Dow Chemicals	51⅞
Dupont de Nemours	223
Eastman Kodak	77
Erie Railroad	22⅛
Family Finance Corp.	23¾
General Electric	50¾
General Foods	82½
General Motors	128⅝
Gen. Pub. Util.	38⅛
Gillette Safety Razor	79½
Glidden Co.	39⅝
Goodrich (B.F.) Co.	68¾
Goodyear Tire	58⅛
Heyden Chemical	17⅛
Homestake Mining Co.	38⅝
Ingersoll-Rand	65¼
Inland Steel Co.	78½
Int'l Business Machines	400
Int'l Harvester	39
International Nickel	78⅜
International Paper	104½
Int'l Tel. & Tel.	28
John-Manville Co.	85¼
Kansas C. Power & Light	42
Kennecott Copper	124⅞
Lockheed Aircraft	48
Loews Incorp.	23¾
Lone Star Cement Co.	58¼
Lowenstein & Sons	26¼
Mesabi Iron Corp.	65¼
Minnesota Mining	99⅞
Mission Development	28⅛
Montgomery Ward	80½
Motorola Inc.	51⅞
National Cash Reg. "A"	38⅝
National Dairy Prod.	41½
National Distillers	21
National Lead	78¼
New York Central	46
Olin Mathieson	59
Otis Elevators	67¾
Owen-Illinois Glass	118½
Pacific Gas & Elec.	52
Pan American Airways	19
Paramount Pictures	40⅝
Parke Davis Co.	39⅛
Penn. Salt Co.	48
Philip Morris	40⅝
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	84⅜
Publicker Industries	10⅜
Pure Oil	37⅛
Radio Corporation	46¾
Reo Motors	16¼
Republic Steel	44¾
Reynolds Metal	210
Shell Oil Co.	60¾
Saint Reg. Paper	41⅛
Sinclair Oil	54¾
Socony Vacuum	60
South Porto Rico Sugar	30¾
Southern National Gas	30⅛
Southern Railway (Com.)	93⅞
Standard Brands	39⅛
Standard Oil of Cal.	90
Standard Oil of Ind.	50
Standard Oil of N.J.	134½
Stokeley-Van Camp	18⅜
Studebaker-Packard Corp.	9⅞
Swift & Co.	51⅝
Texas Co.	103½
Tide Water Assn. Oil	30⅞
Twenty Century Fox Film	28½
Union Carbide	97
Union Pacific Railway	157¾
United Aircraft	70
U.S. Gypsum	275½
U.S. Line Co.	22¾
U.S. Rubber	45¾
U.S. Smelting	52¼
U.S. Steel	51¾
Warner Bros.	20⅜
Westinghouse Electric	63¾
Woolworth	49¾

—United Press.

World Rubber Markets

Singapore, Aug. 11.

Future closings were:

No. 1 rubber per lb.	Aug.	146-146½
	Sept.	147½-148
	Oct.	unquoted
No. 2 rubber per lb.	Aug.	141½-142½
No. 3 rubber per lb.	Aug.	136½-137½
No. 4 rubber per lb.	Aug.	129-130
Spot rubber unbaled		146-146½
Blanket crepe		112-114
No. 1 pale crepe		146-147

NEW YORK

Futures today closed 90 to 170 points higher with sales of 383 contracts.

The spot market centred on one sheets with reports sales including Oct. delivery at 45½ cents with buyers later bidding up to 45 cents a pound. Futures:

Sept.	46.50-60
Dec.	45.05-75
Mar.	44.90
May	43.60
July	42.50
Sept.	41.50

LONDON

The market was erratic. Spot again closed lower at 41¾ pence compared with 42. No. 1 Rss spot was quoted at 41½ pence per lb. Prices:

Settlement house term:

Sept.	41¾-42
Oct.	41½-41¾
Oct./Dec.	41½-41¾
Jan./Mar.	39¾-40
Apr./June	37½-38½

General markets, cif basis, ports:

Aug.	41¾-42
Sept.	41¾-42
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AMSTERDAM

The market was quiet today. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogramme, cif Sept. as follows:

No. 1 rubber	4.10 nom.
No. 2 rubber	4.05 nom.
No. 3 rubber	3.90 nom.
No. 1 crepe	4.15 nom.

—United Press.

Erratic Movements On The Share Market

BANK RATE BLUES IN ICE HOUSE STREET

By A Special Correspondent

Movements on the Hongkong share market this week have been rather bewildering—to investors as well as brokers.

After the "Big Three" banks' increased interest rates on overdrafts and advances last week the general feeling in Ice House Street was that in the foreseeable future there would be a gradual decline in prices.

Then to everybody's surprise there were signs of a recovery on Tuesday and again on Wednesday—coinciding with a strengthening of the London market which has also been affected by a "credit squeeze."

The new trend was shortlived however and the slow slide began again yesterday with some sharpish falls in Utilities.

I don't think there is any real doubt that the recovery, as such, was premature. The market has not yet absorbed the full effect of the banks' announcement. Uncertainty, if not weakness, is expected for a few more days — and it may continue for a week or two.

Perhaps the most significant feature however is the reduced turnover.

Turnover Down

About a fortnight ago, the market was averaging $14 million a week. At the close of yesterday's trading the weekly turnover had fallen to $10,710,000.

There is however no shortage of money for investment. And once prices come low enough I feel certain the market will pick up again.

At the three British banks interest rates to the average investor are between five and seven per cent. A few people are on eight.

In the Chinese banks, as far as I can learn there has been no marking up of interest rates in sympathy with the "Big Three." Their rates were much higher anyway and depending on which bank you went to you would be charged between ten and sixteen per cent—in a few cases even more.

In return you would get a loan or overdraft equivalent to about 80 per cent of the value of your collateral. In the British banks you would get around 50 per cent.

Long-Term Answer?

But it will be very surprising if the higher bank rates discourage transfers and remittances to the Colony from Southeast Asia and financial observers believe that while last week's action may have succeeded in damping down speculation to some extent in the immediate present, they find it difficult to believe that this action will provide a long term answer to the problem.

What happens next is of course a hypothetical question and your guess is as good as mine. Perhaps the next Cabinet minister to visit the Colony will be the Chancellor of the Exchequer....

The interim dividends are beginning to come in. Star Ferry has announced a $3.50 distribution which is unchanged. The share has fallen from $155 last Thursday to $149 yesterday but this has nothing to do with the dividend announcement. Blame the prevailing market mood if anything.

No Surprise

Textiles have passed their dividend. (A market term which, paradoxically, means "by-passed" or "decided not to pay"). The market anticipated this and the Edinburgh House announcement caused no real surprise.

The share slipped slightly from $6 sellers last week to $5.90 sellers this week. Again this was probably due more to the general market trend than to the company's announcement.

If you look at the last balance sheet you will see in the accounts section a paragraph which says "Since March 31 (1954) the company has entered into a commitment in respect of capital expenditure amounting to approximately $3.9 million." Then the company called up $2 million by issuing 400,000 $5 shares at par. That still left it with almost $2 million to recover.

Last year the company paid a total of 90 cents and the distribution took up $760,000. This year the company's earnings are down by seven lakhs to $810,000. And during the year it bought land, erected more buildings and increased its spindlage from 13,000 to 20,000.

The effects of this expansion are not reflected in this year's accounts but they should be apparent next year.

Under these circumstances it is hard to complain about the disappearance of the dividend although some brokers think a small token payment would have been appreciated by the market.

Wait Till They Drop

My tip: wait and see if they drop a little lower. They'll be a first-class buy at $5. Then put them away and forget about them for a few months.

Hongking Land and Investment have also announced their dividend—$2, which is unchanged. These shares have gone up $1 to $75½ so there's no need for any excuses about unfavourable market trends. They are possibly being influenced by the forthcoming new issue.

Hongkong Electric announced a 70 cents interim yesterday. They fell by 25 cents on the day and are $1.25 down on the week at $43¾. There may have been some disappointment on the market yesterday for there were a few wishful thinkers looking forward to a slightly bigger payout or a bonus issue.

$25 Million Contract

Brokers point out that it is unusual for a company to raise its interim, and a bonus issue is generally announced with the final dividend, so I'm afraid there's no sympathy for the disappointed.

The company also announced yesterday that it has awarded the contract for the construction of its new generating station at North Point to the English Electric Company Ltd. The value of the initial contract is about $25 million. The company hopes the new plant will be in commission early in 1959 and the project as a whole should be capable of meeting power requirements on the Island for the next 20 years.

Looking at the market:

Banks have lost $80 on the week and sold yesterday at $1790. Partly this is due to the increased bank rates but much more to the evening-out process that is going on in the market now between London and local register shares.

It will be noticed that Londons are selling at £98 which is more than $200 below the local register selling rate. Once this margin used to be as low as $50-60.

Narrowing The Gulf

At present people are selling Hongkong registers and buying Londons and if this process continues next week the wide gulf between the two should be narrowed.

Unions, which sold at $1,030 yesterday making them $40 lower on the week, have borne the brunt of the market slide better than any share.

Wheelocks are slightly lower down from $9.30 last Thursday to $9.05. Their $10 peak seems elusive at this stage but brokers expect they will be on the rise again soon.

Wharves at $75½ are $1½ lower than last week's rate. Docks at $27 are $1.80 down and Providents at $15½ are $1 lower.

Hotels have taken the spotlight sensationally this week. They closed last week at $20.90 in quite a strong position considering the general condition of the market. On Monday they were like a cat on hot bricks, opening at $19.10 slumping to $16.90 and then leaping back to $19½.

On Tuesday they rose from $19.90 to $20.50. On Wednesday they were off a few cents and yesterday closed at $19.20.

To Be Or Not To Be?

Why so erratic? These shares which are definitely overvalued at $20 are particularly sensitive to rumours. There have been many suggestions in the market in recent weeks that Central Development which bought the Pedder Street plot for $11 million is going to pay the $6.6 million balance owing immediately. Some say: "They will." Others say: "They won't." Bulls and Bears among the market jobbers have been cashing in and out in a constant crescendo of "buy" and "sell" while the market tries to make up its mind. No one knows except that the strongest rumour is: "They will."

Next, Utilities: Trams at $25 are 80 cents down. Stars at $140 are 30 down. Yaumatis are $4 lower at $119. Lights at $22.80 are down $1.30 and Telephones at $33 are $2¼ lower. Cements are offered at $33½ but there are no buyers. Last week there was a sale at this price. Dairy Farms are 80 cents lower at $23. Watsons are offered at $15.70 or 10 cents below last week's sale price. No buyers.

Lane Crawfords Up

Lane Crawfords are looking healthier than ever and despite the market slump are $1 up on the week to $38.

Yangtszes are offered at $8.20 but no buyers are in the market, not at that price anyway which is five cents more than last week's sale. Allieds are slightly off at 5.80.

Nanyangs are five cents better on the week at $8.60.

Rubber prices in Singapore have come down with a bump since last week—from 183½ to 142½ Straits cents a lb. Trusts and Amalgamateds have come down about 30 cents each in sympathy.

Redistribution Of Sugar Quotas

London, Aug. 11.

The International Sugar Council announced today that 86,569 metric tons of sugar originally allotted to Czechoslovakia and Haiti are to be redistributed to member nations.

A Council announcement also said "acting under Article I of the agreement, the committee decided to reduce the export quotas of the participating countries by five per cent of their basic export tonnages; the total thus being reduced from 3,957,500 to 2,721,750 metric tons.

The Executive Committee of the Council was informed by Czechoslovakia and Haiti that the two countries do not expect to use certain amounts of their 1955 quota. Czechoslovakia said it would not use 64,130 metric tons and Haiti gave up 12,055 tons.

The sugar thus is being redistributed under Article 97 of the sugar agreement to other participating countries.

Export quotas of the individual countries concerned as of August 10, 1955 after the redistribution of 86,569 metric tons surrendered by Czechoslovakia and Haiti and the reduction of five per cent decided upon by the executive committee on that date:

Revised quotas in effect Aug. 10, 1955 in metric tons of raw value were as follows:

Belgium	49,150
China (Taiwan)	541,804
Czechoslovakia	168,000
Cuba	2,061,767
Dominican Rep.	541,804
France	18,150
Haiti	18,445
Hungary	40,299
Mexico	877
Philippines	688
Poland	179,916

—United Press.

London Foreign Exchange

London, Aug. 11.

New York	2.78¾-2.78-11/16
Montreal	2.74¼-2.74-9/16
Amsterdam	[illegible]
Brussels	139.07½-139.10
Copenhagen	19.33-19.33¾
Oslo	[illegible]
Stockholm	[illegible]
Frankfort	[illegible]
Zurich	[illegible]

Others were unchanged.—United Press.

Hongkong Bank In California

The new Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation of California opens for business in San Francisco on Monday. It will operate as a commercial and savings banks.

It is a subsidiary of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation here with its own board of directors under the presidency of Mr S. J. H. Fox who will be remembered by many as a senior Bank officer in Swatow and Shanghai after the war.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank agency in San Francisco, opened in 1875, will continue to operate but the new corporation will deal with a very much wider field of banking; in fact, a complete domestic banking service enabling customers to open current accounts and make deposits.

Within Californian banking regulations the new corporation will be able to make advances against securities: this is one main feature that should interest Hongkong people who invest in American stocks.

TODAY'S SHARE PRICES

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to $1,320,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HK Bank	1775	1800	170 @ 1780 60 @ 1780
INSURANCES			
Union	1025		
SHIPPING			
Waterboat	22.70		
DOCKS, ETC.			
Dock	26.80	27.40	
Provident (Old)	15½		3000 @ 15½
Wheelock		8.90	1000 @ 8.90 5000 @ 8.90
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	19½	19.90	1500 @ 19.30 2000 @ 19.60
H.K. Land	71½	72½	900 @ 72 300 @ 72½ 900 @ 72.
Realty			3000 @ 2¼
RUBBER			
A. Rubber	2.17½		33,000 @ 2.20
UTILITIES			
Y'mati Ferry	117	120	50 @ 119
C. Light (O)	22½	23	
C. Light (N)	17½	18	600 @ 17.70
Electric	42¼	42¾	2500 @ 42½
Macao Elec.	11.30		
Telephone	33	33¼	4500 @ 33¼ 1000 @ 33 1500 @ 33¼
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	32¾	33½	2600 @ 33 500 @ 33
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	22.70	23.20	500 @ 23
Watson		15.00	
L. Crawford	37½		
Textiles		5.90	
Nanyang	8.60	8.70	500 @ 8.60
MISCELLANEOUS			
Vibro	21		
Allied		5.90	

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, Aug. 11.

Canada	$1.01-17/32
England official	2.78-23/32
Australia	2.23
New Zealand	2.77¾
South Africa	2.79⅛
Uruguay	.3060

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per $1)	5.81
Sterling notes (per £1)	15.57
Australian notes (per £1)	12.06
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	13.15
Siam ticals (per 100)	23.50
Singapore (Straits)	1.80
Indo-China piastres (per 100)	8.17

World Cotton Markets

New York, Aug. 11.

Cotton traders crowded most of today's business into the opening and closing transactions.

In between time the market drifted over narrow limits in slow dealings while traders studied crop news and awaited Washington developments on the Government's surplus disposal plan.

Closing on a rally the list finished 10 higher to 6 points lower. The market opened up 1 to off 18; New Orleans closed up 4 to 7 points.

Favoured the belief that definite news on the export subsidy question for raw cotton might be forthcoming after the Cabinet meeting tomorrow.

Trading feature of the day was the sharp opening drop in the December (1956) contract while other deliveries varied only a few points on either side of the previous close.

Under-selling credited to Liverpool and commission house account December dropped to 32-34 cents a pound for an overnight loss of $1 a bale and set a new season's low. Later, all of the lost ground was retraced.

The Liverpool market closed 16 points higher to 19 lower.

The Commodity Credit Corp. reported withdrawals from the 1954 loan programme for the week ended Aug. 5 totalled 3,870 bales, leaving 1,672,332 bales under the loan. Withdrawals from the 1953 loan totalled 6,130 bales leaving 4,754,448 bales still held by the agency.

Trading volumes and open interest in the exchange today were:

Month	Volume	Open interest
Oct.	17,300	398,300
Dec.	24,600	745,400
Mar.	9,000	317,800
May	14,200	340,100
July	17,700	116,600
Oct.	4,900	183,000
Dec.	4,600	22,000
Total	92,900	2,133,200 bales

NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	34.45n
Oct.	33.67-65
Dec.	33.70
Mar.	33.81-80
May	33.30
July	32.30
Oct.	32.48
Dec.	32.48

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	33.50
Oct.	33.64
Dec.	33.77
Mar.	33.80
May	33.82-83
July	33.31
Oct.	32.62
Dec.	32.51

LIVERPOOL

Future closings, American middling, in pence per lb. were as follows:

Oct./Nov.	30.60
Dec./Jan.	29.40
Mar./Apr.	28.90
May/June	28.53
July/Aug.	28.25

SAO PAULO

Future closings, in cruzeiros per kilo were as follows:

Oct.	33.00
Dec.	35.35
Mar.	36.50
May	35.00

—United Press.

London Stock Market

London, Aug. 11

A sharp advance in stocks was checked in the last 15 minutes of trading today on announcement that a special Cabinet meeting had been called for Monday.

Rumours of an increase in the "credit squeeze", which might cause a wave of selling, prompted dealers to mark down prices.

Nuclear shares paced the downside, falling several shillings, followed by oils. Associated Electric, which ran up as high as 94s 6d, closed at 90s 6d. down 1s 9d, from last night's close.

Some British Government issues, which moved up £⅛ early finished unchanged. Gilts were inactive.

Gold shares and other metals also were quiet with prices firm.

Foreign bonds were the brighter spots of the market with German and Japanese issues rising to £3. — United Press.

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Mother & Daughter

THE mother said to her 12-year-old daughter: "I want you to come shopping with me this morning, dear."

"No, no, no, I won't," the child cried. "You said you'd never make me again, you promised. I can't come."

And the little girl burst into tears, remembering, the last time, two months before, that she had gone "shopping" with her mother. She screwed her eyes tight shut as if to keep memories out, but they crowded in upon her in numbing, nightmare confusion.

The stunning shock of seeing her mother steal from the shops they had visited then . . . the store detective stopping them in the street . . . the manager's office . . . the police station.

TERROR

THE mother had been sentenced to three months' imprisonment for those thefts, had appealed, and had the sentence quashed being ordered instead to pay £15 fine. And now, a month later, she wanted to take her daughter shopping again.

"I won't," the child cried. But the mother was firm and had her way. The pair set off, to a store in their own neighbourhood first.

"You just stand there, lovey," the mother said, and under cover of her daughter, she helped herself from a counter, to two necklaces and a brooch.

They left the store, the girl in terror of hearing footsteps hurrying behind them, of hearing someone say: "Excuse me, madam. . . ."

DO WHAT I SAY

THE mother rushed her into another shop, used her as cover again to steal two hairbrushes and a manicure set. And now the mother was like a batsman whose eye is in, whom no bowler can daunt.

"I *wish* you wouldn't drag, so," she told the child, pulling her into the street again, hurrying along to a tube station. They caught a City-bound train almost at once. So did a breathless store-detective who had been trying to catch up with them since they left the first store.

At the next station, the mother dragged her daughter out, up to street level, into a multiple store. "Now you go along just in front of me, do exactly what I say," the mother commanded, and she prodded the girl along counters from which she stole bars of soap, packets of custard powder, meringue mixture, pudding mixture, another bracelet.

I'LL TELL

"OH stop, mother, stop," the girl cried, "stop or I'll tell the man, I will."

"It's all right, dear, we're going now," the mother said. She took her daughter's hand and led her to the street. There the store detective, who had pursued them for so long, caught up.

At Clerkenwell Court, mother and daughter were both charged with being concerned together in the thefts, and they both pleaded guilty. The mother stood in the dock, crying. Her husband stood by his daughter's side, a little in front, crying too, quietly.

The child, tall, intelligent-looking, trembled, but did not cry. It was as though her misery had passed beyond the stage when tears could help.

INTO THE FUTURE

THE magistrate remanded the mother for a medical report. The court matron helped her from the dock. Two policemen half-carried her collapsing husband out.

The pale child left on her own, walking with slow, deliberate dignity, staring ahead with wide eyes, as if she longed to see the future, but could not because of the past.

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Sues Tobacco Companies

New Orleans, Aug. 11.

A widow filed a damage suit against two tobacco companies today on the grounds that her husband's use of their products caused a throat cancer which eventually killed him.

Mrs Victoria St Pierre's suit named the R. J. Reynolds and the Liggett & Myers tobacco companies.

From 1891 until his death last month, the suit stated, Frank St Pierre smoked cigarettes manufactured by those companies.

"The use of these tobaccos," charges the suit, "either precipitated or contributed to the development of a cancer in the vocal cords . . . which ultimately caused his death on July 13, 1955."

The action argues the defendants were negligent in not warning that use of the tobaccos could "cause or precipitate" the development of a cancer.

Instead, the suit charged, the firms advertised that the cigarettes had no harmful effects.—United Press.

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HK AIRPORT STATEMENT

London, Aug. 12.

The Times writes today under the heading "Hongkong's New Airport":—

"Mr J. C. Gammon, Chairman of the Gammon group of companies, has announced from his London office that Gammon (Malay) Ltd, will co-operate with the French firm of Societe Francaise D'Entreprise de Dragages et de Travaux Publics in building the new Hongkong airport, which is to cost about £5,000,000.

"Gammon's will carry out virtually all the constructional work and all the work on the airfield. The French concern will do all the land dredging, for which they are specially equipped.

"The contract will take three years to complete. The cost of the constructional work will amount to £2,500,000." — France-Presse.

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Gangsters Fight It Out With Stilettos

London, Aug. 11.

Detectives tonight kept a vigil by the hospital bedside of a man calling himself "Britain's number one gangster" who was found stabbed in a London street today.

The condition of the stabbed man, Jack Comer, otherwise known as "Jack Spot," was said to be "critical." He has knife wounds in the lung and stomach.

In another London hospital tonight other detectives were at the bedside of 36-year-old Albert Dimes, who had extensive stomach stab wounds.

Hospital authorities described his injuries as "serious."

Police tonight were scouring the cosmopolitan area of Soho for witnesses of a street fight in which the two were wounded.

Jack Comer, aged 43, styled himself the nation's leading gangster in a series of articles he wrote recently for a Sunday newspaper.

He claimed in the articles that he had risen to command an "army of 1,000 London toughs." At one time after the war, he wrote, his gang armed themselves with submachine-guns, hand grenades and small arms when threatened by a rival organisation.

But gang warfare did not come and Comer said he ordered all weapons to be dumped which brought "peace" to Britain's underworld.

He said his nickname of "Jack Spot" came because he was always "on the spot" when trouble broke out.

STREET FIGHT

Comer and Dimes were injured after a fight witnessed by screaming women, office girls and Soho's street loungers of countless nationalities.

Before their fight they were seen to run down the crowded street.

They grappled on a corner, and one man, waving a stiletto, chased the other into a fruit shop.

They fought in the shop overturning trays and boxes and terror-stricken women shoppers saw a man stabbed repeatedly, his face gashed from ear to chin.

Onlookers tried unsuccessfully to part them. Mrs Hyams, wife of the owner of the shop, beat them over the head with a metal scoop from a weighing machine but they continued fighting.

Eventually the two men, lurching from their multiple wounds, their blood spilling on the grimy Soho pavement, staggered away.

One went into a barber's shop. The other got into a taxi and was taken to hospital.

Police took possession of a stiletto and questioned the watching crowds.— China Mail Special.

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Awards For Hongkong Policemen

H.E. the Governor has authorised the following awards in the Hongkong Police Force, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

First Bar To Colonial Police Long Service And Good Conduct Medal

Cantonese Contingent: Sergeant Cheng Cheung, Sergeant Lee Hi, Sergeant Chu Sum, Corporal Luk Hiu, Constable Hui Hoi.

Wei Hei Wei Contingent: Constable 2589 Chi Yung-liang.

Colonial Police Long Service And Good Conduct Medal

Inspectorate: Chief Inspector J. W. MacDonald, Inspector E. C. Sharp, Inspector Tsui Po-ying, Inspector J. R. M. B. Wall, Inspector R. G. Griggs, Inspector S. C. H. Mayor, Sub-Inspector L. N. Karpovich, Sub-Inspector V. Tranquilli, Sub-Inspector Hui Hung-cheung, Sub-Inspector Tang Pak-shu, Sub-Inspector Si Wai-ming.

Cantonese Contingent: Sergeant Chan Pak-wah, Sergeant Wong Sung, Sergeant Kwan King, Sergeant Liu Wai-yuen, Sergeant Tong Siu-hung, Sergeant Lai Man-yau, Sergeant Sergeant Li Wai-yu, Sergeant Chu Ming, Sergeant Lo Kang-ching, Corporal Kwong Shek, Corporal Ip Wai-fun, Corporal Wong Kam-po, Corporal Siu Leung, Corporal Cheng Ping, Corporal Lam Kau, Constable Tse Luen-shing, Constable Yuen Shing-chiu, Constable Yeung Hing, Constable Li Lam.

Pakistani Contingent: Sergeant Sahib Dad, Sergeant Mohammed Hussain, Sergeant Ghulam Hussain, Corporal Karam Din, Corporal Karim Haider Shah, Corporal Ahmed Din, Constable Ghulam Mohammed, Constable Wali Hussain Shah, Constable Samunder Khan.

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European Driver Fined

A European was charged before Mr W. N. Thomas Tam at the Central Magistracy this morning for driving a private car without due care and attention. He was fined $100 and his driving licence was endorsed.

The defendant, P. Calderara, of 62 Macdonnell Road, was defended by Mr R. W. Dyer of Deacons. Sub-Inspector C.D. Mayger prosecuted.

Mr H. E. Swabey, who was a passenger in Mr J. C. Conder's car, said that on April 22, they were travelling down Garden Road when another car overtook them on the right using the central lane. At that moment, a learner's car was passing a slow moving vehicle on the opposite side of the road, and in an attempt to avoid a collision with the learner's car, the car in front braked and pulled sharply to the left. As a consequence, Mr Conder also braked but the front offside of his car hit the overtaking car.

Mr S. C. Smith who was also a passenger in Mr Conder's car gave similar evidence.

Mr Dyer said that the defendant did what any prudent driver would have done in such circumstances, but unfortunately, when both cars braked there was a collision.

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Resettlement Flats Tenders Sought

Tenders were invited in the Government Gazette today for the construction of six blocks of resettlement flats at the Tai Hang Tung (area G), Kowloon.

Only those on the PWD list of approved contractors in group V for building works will be permitted to tender.

Radio Hongkong

6, Time Signal and Programme Summary: 6.03, Children's Half Hour. "The Adventures of Clara Chuff" by Harry Harrison. No. 5: 'The Unusual Ostrich' (BBCTS); 6.30, Popular Song Parade; 7, "Save Life". A Programme about the Beach Guards (Recorded); 7.30, "Viewpoint". A Weekly Magazine devoted to the Arts, Edited and introduced by Janet Tomblin. Books: Reviewed by Charles Lowe—'Friendly Queen' by H. Macquarrie, 'Desert Adventure' by S. Stuart. "The History of the Cinema" by Hugh Sullivan. No. 6; 7.59, Weather Report; 8, Time Signal and The News (London Relay); 8.09, Commentary (London Relay) or Special Announcements; 8.15, Artist of the Week — Walter Gieseking (piano); 8.30, Masters of Melody. Sidney Torch and his Concert Orchestra; The Music of Vivian Ellis (BBCTS); 9, Time Signal. Music Lovers Hour — Classical Requests presented by Aileen Dekker (Studio); 10, Boulevard Cafe; 10.30, Record Round-about; 10.59, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal; Radio News Reel (London Relay); 11.09, Goodnight Music; God Save The Queen; 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

5 p.m. Children's Corner—conducted by Auntie Val; 5.30, Friday requests—presented by Betty; 6.25, Birthday mailbag; 6.30, The cocktail hour; 7, Personality parade—Jimmy Durante; 7.15, The salon concert; 7.30, Music from Germany; 8, Time signal and the news (London relay); 8.09, Weather report, announcements and interlude; 8.15, Date in Hollywood—starring Eddie Fisher and Gloria De Haven; 8.30, Jazz Club; 9, Symphony hall—Symphony No. 40 in G Minor—Mozart; 10, Rediffusion spotlight—Jack and Daphne Barker—BBC stars; 10.15, Magic and moonlight—Hawaiian melodies; 10.30, The Scarlet Pimpernel—starring Marius Goring; 11, Date with [illegible]—featuring the [illegible]; 11.30, Prelude to Midnight—popular concert favourites; 12 midnight, God Save The Queen; Close down.

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"The birds were learning crazy words from the clerk I fired! Before I hire you, do you swear or use be-bop talk?"

UNIONS WANT A 40-HOUR WEEK

Blackpool, Aug. 11.

Some engineering unions in the United States are "thinking in terms of a 30-hour week," the annual conference of the British Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions was told here today.

Mr W. J. Carron, one of the delegates, moving a resolution calling for a 40-hour week, said he hoped British unions would keep the goal of a 30-hour week constantly before them.

The regular working week for the 3,000,000 workers represented at the conference was at present 44 hours.

In the United States, where the standard week was four hours less, production per man was three times greater, Mr Carron added.

"Having visited America, I can say definitely that the work tempo of American workers is certainly no higher than that of the British worker," he added.

Mr Carron added that since the British engineering industry cut the week from 48 to 44 hours in 1946, production had risen 75 per cent, so it was not necessary to go to America for evidence of increased production through shorter working hours.

Some progressive British firms were already operating the 40-hour week.

OVERTIME QUESTION

The conference passed unanimously a resolution calling on their leaders to press immediately and with all their resources for the reduction of the present working week from 44 to 40 hours without loss of pay.

A second resolution called for an agreement with employers to reduce permitted overtime from 30 to 20 hours a month.

It recognised the need for occasional overtime but deplored "the apparent attempt to weave into the pattern of industrial life constant and excessive overtime."

A speaker warned employers that unless they reduced overtime to 20 hours a month, the engineering unions might ban all overtime throughout the industry.—Reuter.

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Memorial To Field-Marshal

Melbourne, Aug. 11.

A memorial to Australia's only Field Marshal, Sir Thomas Blamey, will show him standing in a jeep instead of mounted as at first planned.

The statue, to cost £A25,000 (£20,000 sterling), will be twice life size and will stand at the entrance to Government House opposite the mounted figure of Sir John Monash, Australia's leader in World War I.—China Mail Special.

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MAY SURPLUS

A surplus of $2,180,265.43 was recorded in the statement of the Colony's finances for the month of May, according to the Government Gazette today.

Revenue came to $27,490,650.58, while expenditure totalled $25,310,385.10. The General Revenue Balance as at May 31 stood at $310,917,978.69.

May Restore Diplomatic Relations

Washington, Aug. 11.

Washington officials said today the chances of restoring diplomatic representation between Russia and Australia were under active discussion here and seemed brighter than for months past.

Russia withdrew its Ambassador from Canberra and ordered the Australia Mission from Moscow last year in protest against the Australian government's granting asylum to Vladimir Petrov, former head of the Soviet Intelligence service in Australia.

A Soviet official told Reuter, after consulting senior authorities of the Soviet Embassy here, that he had the impression the Soviet government would be willing to discuss the matter through diplomatic channels.

He suggested that both the Australian and Soviet governments might take simultaneous steps towards exploring the position.

Australia's position, it was learned, was that because Russia had taken the initiative in withdrawing diplomatic representatives it was up to her to take the first step towards making any change in the situation.—Reuter.

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Committee Named

H.E. the Governor has appointed the following to be Members of the Standing Committee on Technical Education and Vocational Training, for a period of one year, it was announced in the Government Gazette today:

Mr I. B. Trevor (Chairman), the Commissioner of Labour or his representative, the Director of Public Works or his representative, the Director of Education or his representative, the Director of Commerce and Industry or his representative, Miss Pauline Chan, Mr Ho Iu-kwong, Mr Hou Man-wai, Mr Lam Sik-sued, Mr William S. T. Louey, Mr C. D. Silas, Mr A. Storrar, Mr U Tat-chee, and a Secretary to be nominated by the Director of Education.

Reds Accuse UN Of Armistice Violation

Panmunjom, Aug. 12.

The Communist military command today charged the UN with a serious Korean armistice violation by "conniving" with the South Koreans in riots against Red truce inspectors.

North Korean Maj-Gen. Chung Kook-rok, charged at a Military Armistice Commission meeting that the UN side "must bear the responsibility for seriously violating the armistice agreement.".

The Communist General told US Air Force Maj-Gen. H. Parks: "I lodge a strong protest with your side.".

Chung charged that the UN command "is conniving at these violent, provocative acts" in which at least 27 American soldiers have been injured while holding back South Korean mobs from neutral nations inspectors.

The UN command, which General Parks represents at Panmunjom, is "even encouraging" the stormy riots in South Korea, the Communist general charged.

The Communist draft demanded:

1. The UN take immediate action to eliminate threats against the neutral inspectors and restore order.

2. The Neutral Commission be assured that threats against the inspectors "will not recur."

3. That all provisions of the armistice agreement relating to neutral inspection teams be "carried out thoroughly." — United Press.

WILL STUDY PROPOSAL

Washington, Aug. 11.

The State Department today cautiously studied Red China's proposal for a new Far East conference on Korea. But it refused to comment on the proposal pending further details and analysis.

The spokesman, Mr Lincoln White, said the Department had only sketchy news reports on the Red Chinese proposal and therefore could not discuss it.

Department officials also were waiting to hear whether Red China had passed the proposal along to Britain, which handles matters between the United States and Red China because those two nations do not have diplomatic relations.

Officials said privately that US acceptance of the Chinese Communist proposal probably would depend upon whether the Communists indicate that they would be willing to make some concessions. Such an indication could be made privately through diplomatic channels.

EVERY EFFORT MADE

The United States feels that it, and its United Nations allies who fought in Korea, have made every effort to get a peaceful reunification of Korea but failed because of Communist stalling. US officials feel no further progress toward unification can be made until the Communists show they are ready to make a concession.

The Korean conference held at Geneva in 1954 broke down when the Communist side rejected any formula which would permit Korea to be reunified through free elections supervised by the United Nations.

Officials said the US did not feel it would be worth while going through another conference like that meeting on the Korean problem unless the Communist side first indicated it was ready to change its position.—United Press.

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GAZETTED APPOINTMENTS

Mr G. T. Hole, Cadet Officer Class II, has been appointed Assistant Director of Commerce and Industry, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

Mr P. V. Dodge has taken over the post of Assistant Secretary, Colonial Secretariat, vice Mr Hole.

Other appointments gazetted were: Dr Ng Wing-hang to be Medical Officer on probation; Dr Sylvia Chui Sai-hun to be Woman Medical Officer on probation; Mr D. C. Bray to be District Officer, Taipo, vice Mr P. V. Dodge.

Mr Bray has been additionally appointed an Assistant Collector of Stamp Revenue, for the purposes of the Stamp Ordinance, vice Mr Dodge.

Mr P. V. Dodge has been appointed to be Deputy Clerk of Councils, vice Mr G. T. Hole.

Outlaws Routed In Desert Battle

Biskra, Aug. 11.

Thirty outlaws and 21 camel riding French Sahara soldiers have been killed in a battle at Sidi Aoun Oasis in the Souf desert of Southern Algeria, it was learned today.

The battle started on Tuesday morning when an outlaw band, led by 30-year-old bandit chieftain Ama Lakhdar, laid an ambush at the desert oasis for the French Sahara group. It finished 48 hours later with the annihilation of the outlaw band.

Two French officers were killed together with 19 Arab soldiers recruited in the desert region of El Oued. After the fight at the oasis, 20 outlaw dead were found on the battlefield. Two badly wounded outlaws were taken prisoners.

OVERTAKEN

A dozen outlaws escaped from the first battle and made off to the north. They were overtaken early this afternoon and wiped out. Ten were killed and two captured, seriously wounded.

Their weapons, now in French hands, included a machine-gun, sub-machine guns and rifles.

A man hunt was in progress tonight in the desert oasis for scattered survivors of the rebel force. Among the dead was the rebel leader, Ama Lakhdar, dreaded outlaw of the Souf desert.

REIGN OF TERROR

For months he had conducted a reign of terror in the Nementchas mountains to the north of the desert, holding up for ransom tobacco traders and shepherds.

Last March he sent his men south to the El Oued region to conscript recruits into his gang. He was wounded in a brush with French Sahara troops in which seven of his men were killed. It was to avenge this defeat that he laid his ambush at Sidi Aoun.—France-Presse.

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3 Months For False Report

25-year-old Wu Ting-nam, who made a false report to the Police saying that he had been robbed of $503.40, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

The defendant, a life banishee, had nine previous convictions between 1946 and 1954, revealed the Prosecution.

DSI Collins said that defendant reported to the Central Police station at 9.10 p.m. on Wednesday that he had been robbed of the money by four men near the Vehicular Ferry pier. A party of Police was sent to the scene of the alleged robbery where they learned the defendant's story was untrue.

PROMOTIONS

H.E. the Governor has approved the following appointments in the Special Constabulary, it was announced in the Government Gazette today:

Police Sergeant (Special) Gordon Hui Sai-fun and Police Corporal (Special) Karlum Shum to be Assistant Superintendents of Police (Special).

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